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*Pat Sifert*

Aloft our banners waving,  
we pledge to thee,  
Dear Alma Mater,  
Hearts of loyalty.





Then here's to Norwalk High School.  
Our cheers we fling  
Far as the echoes  
May our praises ring.





**1956 SIGNAL**

**NORWALK HIGH SCHOOL**  
**NORWALK, OHIO**



# We Salute

**W**e salute Norwalk High as symbolized by our Alma Mater.

The words to the Alma Mater are familiar to every student at NHS. They represent all phases of school life.

We hear the song dozens of times each year - at pep meetings, at football and basketball games, when the band marches down the main street on Veterans' Day, and at graduation. For us, the trio of "Our Director March" will always be our Alma Mater - a personal possession.

In saluting our Alma Mater, we also salute Miss Madge C. Mossman. Miss Mossman has been a teacher of Latin and English at Norwalk High for many years, during which she has rendered many important services to the school.

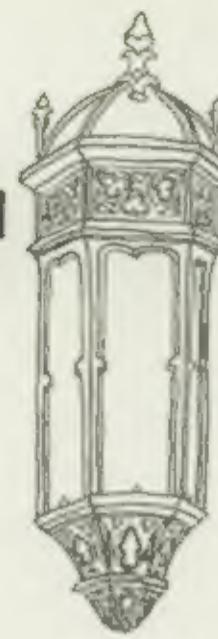
One of the most outstanding of these was furnishing the words for our Alma Mater.

She wrote these words in 1928 to the music suggested by Mr. R. P. Laycock, the music director.

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# Our Alma Mater



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We pledge to thee ...  
Dear Alma Mater,  
Hearts of Loyalty  
So here's to Norwalk High School,  
Our cheers we fling ...  
Far as the echoes  
May our praises ring.*

*Our blue is for the valor  
Of those in the fight;  
Filled are our pages  
With golden deeds of right  
So here's to Norwalk High School  
True to her past,  
High bold her colors  
Long as time may last.*

*Madge C. Mossman*

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# *Aloft our banners waving, We pledge to thee . . . .*

Norwalk High School,

our school flag,

and Norwalk High students:

these are chosen

to represent the first line

of the Alma Mater

because they symbolize

basic parts of school life.

The building

which becomes as familiar

as our own home;

the flag we see at every game;

and the academic life

are the foundations

from which the various phases

of school life

are built.

The front entrance to Norwalk High is familiar to all students.



The lights by the front entrance welcome visitors to the school.



Waving our banner aloft--several students pose with the school flag.



# *Dear Alma Mater, Hearts of Loyalty.*

*"I'm a good boy"*



The Elks' Award for outstanding leadership is presented to Alan Robinson.



Another day's sales in the magazine subscription contest are posted by Captain Dick Heaston.

We demonstrate our loyalty  
to Norwalk High  
in many ways.  
We gain recognition  
outside the school --  
for our citizenship and leadership;  
we back school projects  
with our time and work;  
and we give service  
to the school clubs  
to which we belong.



Ron Morehouse and Allen Leadbetter help the Hi-Y and serve up the popcorn at a basketball game.

# *So here's to Norwalk High School, Our cheers we fling . . .*

Life at Norwalk High

has its lighter side.



Having their fling, a group of boys from Mr. Smith's mechanical drawing class has a party.

*"Watch the birdie"*



FIGHT TEAM FIGHT! Norwalk vanity cheerleaders Joanne Earl, Martha Mousch, Molly Crossen and Jackie Helsel give their all at a pep rally.

*"Love loves all the art"*



Adding spirit to the pep meeting are David Price and Bob Mitchell of the German Band.

# *Far as the echoes May our praises ring.*

We "sing the praises" of Norwalk High

by our actions.

Doing things that reflect well

upon our school.

representing our school

in competition with others,

and performing services

to our school and community

especially well,

all reflect praise

upon our school.

Those chosen to represent Norwalk High at Kiwanis meeting for the month of February are Jim Rogers and David Munson.



Martha Motsch, Jackie Helsel, Queen Ruth Earl, Molly Crossen, and last year's Queen Sandy Hendrickson add glamor on Homecoming night.



Ted Smith and Alan Robinson, spin records on their Club 17 radio program over station WEOL Ellyda.

# *Our blue is for the valor Of those in the fight;*

"Those in the fight" --

not only our teams, out to win

with the support of the marching band

at every football game,

but also students

in their individual competitions --

whether for high magazine sales,

most words per minute in shorthand or typing,

or any of the other minor competitions

going on-

they must all learn

the rules of good sportsmanship

and it is part of the school's task

to teach them.



A tense moment in the Elyria game as Allen Beach tries for that all-important basket.



Fighting for top position in the magazine sales contest, George Diehl checks his totals with Dick Heaston.



The marching band presents its program between halves of a football game.

# *Filled are our pages With golden deeds of right.*

Our service extends  
beyond the school proper.  
Students represent their school  
in competition with others,  
and by doing well  
further the standing of the school.  
Almost everyone brings  
white gifts at Christmas  
or contributes to various charity drives  
with time or money



Representing various phases of the UN are Judy Carpenter, Janet Butch, Elsie Twitchell and Floate Boyd.



Seniors who placed in Senior Scholarship test are Alan Angell, Ken Miller, Jim Rogers, Martha McDonald, Dave Munson and Alan Robinson.



The yearly custom of donating a gift of food to the Salvation Army at Christmas is observed.

# *So here's to Norwalk High School True to her past,*

As at any school

there are many traditions

at Norwalk High --

events that appear

on the school calendar every year --

dates that are looked forward to

by the students and teachers.

It is hard for us to imagine

a year without

the Y-Teen Christmas decorations.

the athletic banquet,

the spring and fall plays,

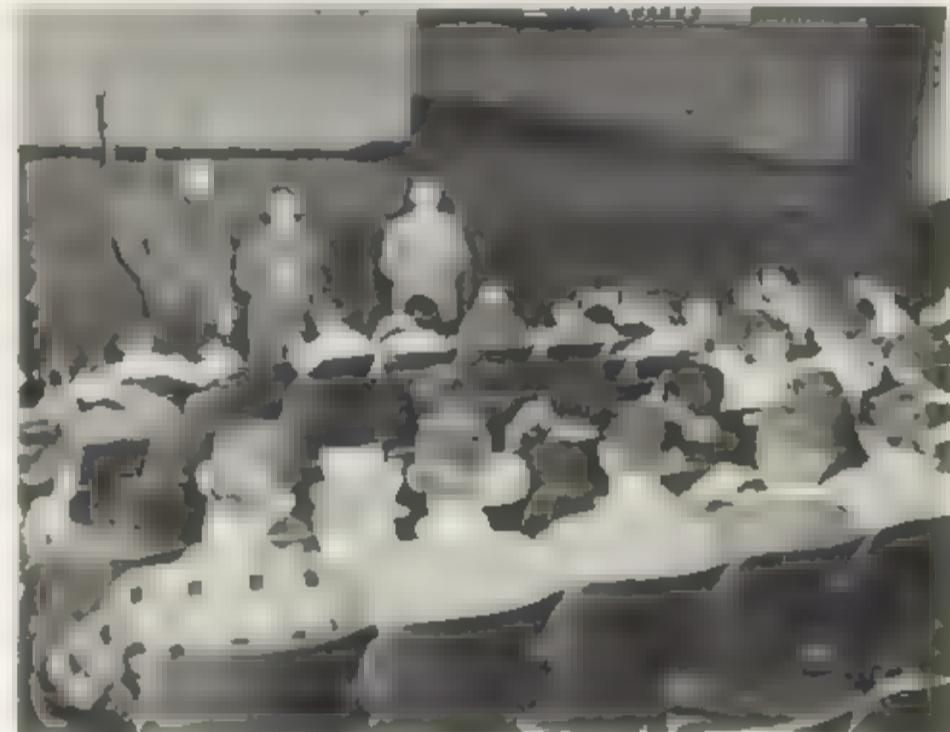
the band and orchestra concerts,

the art exhibit

or any of the other events

which are carried forth

from year to year.



Norwalk High athletes prepare to elect the football captain as Mr. Grant Walls, Mr. James Ross, and Mr. Howard Hershey brief them on the Athletic Banquet.



Miss Madge Mossman finds that Christmas has come, as Y-Teen Vera Liedorff completes the decorating of her room.



Alan Robinson, Don Young III, Martha Motisch and Barb Diringer appear in a scene from "The Night of January 16th."

# *High bold ber colors Long as time may last.*

Senior Martha McDonald previews graduation day.



Those seniors remaining from the fourth grade class at Benedict School are: Front Row: Ronnie Keyser, Ronnie Baker, Alan Robinson; Second Row: Janna Stoutenburg, Liz Cisner; Third Row: Teacher, Miss Kathryn Maloney, John Schaeferle, Dave Munson, Dick Heaston, Jim Spalsbury, Dale McGreery; Fourth Row: Joe Murray, Stan Chapin.



We have grown up in school,

and some of us are ready

to leave Norwalk High

as alumni.

But this will always be

our alma mater

Even though we leave,

the school will continue

as it has since 1861

when the first student was graduated.

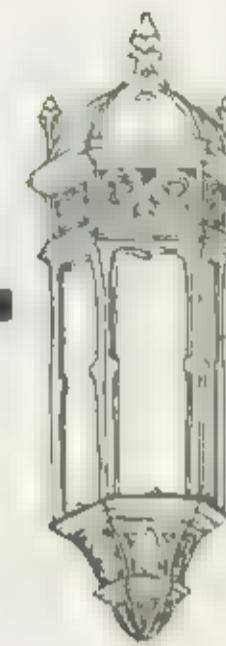
The Alma Mater will continue

to inspire Norwalk High students

as it has

in the past.





# Hearts of Loyalty

The administration, faculty and student body

are symbolized by the phrase

'Hearts of Loyalty'

from the Alma Mater.

It is these hearts of loyalty

that make the memories students retain

when they have left school

the things "old grads" rehash -

these are the pages they will pore over later

and wonder "What ever happened to

These are the classmates, the special friends,

the teachers, and

all the other people

who have helped them make of their high school days

what they have.



James H. McBride  
Superintendent

Mr. James McBride's work includes dictating letters that are to be typed and sent out by his secretary, Miss Elsie Miller.

## Supt. McBride Completes Seventh Year at Norwalk

**M**R. JAMES H. McBRIDE, superintendent of Norwalk Public Schools, has completed his seventh year as leader of the school.

With the able assistance of the Board of Education, he has promoted many ideas beneficial to the school and thereby of aid to the community.

As superintendent, Mr. McBride represents Norwalk High School and its interests. As is stated in the school code, "What is best for most of the students and teachers is best for the school."

He received his Bachelor of Science degree from Muskingum College and his Master of Arts degree from the University of Colorado.

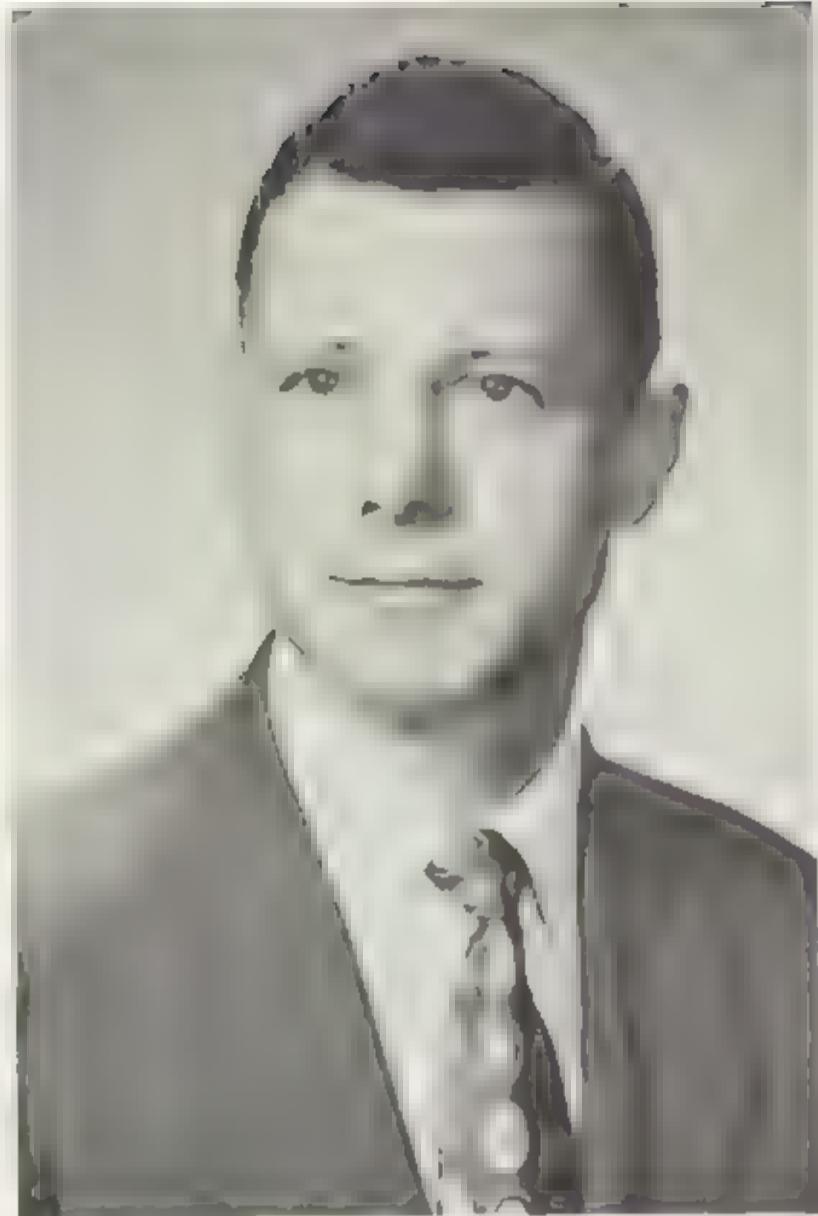




Mr. James McBride congratulates James Rogers and Grant Walls Jr., for the football honors they received



Superintendent J. H. McBride meets with Dr. G. F. Linn, president, Ernest H. Kohlmyer, J. N. Orehough, Dr. Robert S. Schillig, and Paul G. Wetzel, clerk, who serve on the Norwalk Board of Education.



James N. Ross  
Principal



In one of his many conferences, Mr. James Ross discusses the possibility of scholarships and careers with senior boys, Alan Angell and Ronald Freeman.

## Prin. Ross Offers Helpful Assistance

**M**R. JAMES N. ROSS has completed his second year as principal of Norwalk High School.

His time and assistance were given to many students as well as to the faculty, and he has gained the respect and friendship of both.

A Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Akron and a Master of Arts degree from Western Reserve make him well qualified to hold this position.





During his busy days, Mr. James Ross meets frequently with Mr. Lowell Ruggles to discuss enrollment and schedule problems for the school year.



Lowell Ruggles  
B.S. in Ed.  
Ashland

#### MR. RUGGLES JOINS COLE STAFF

**M**R. LOWELL RUGGLES has finished his first year as principal of the seventh and eighth grade division of the high school. He has ably handled the problems of the pupils under him. Aside from this position, he taught a class in Ohio government.

He previously held the position of principal of Benedict School.

#### SECRETARIES GIVE VALUABLE SERVICE

**A**BLE and cheerful service was given by Miss Janet Twaddle and Miss Etsie Miller as secretaries to Mr. James Ross and Mr. James H. McBride. Students met Miss Twaddle when getting absence slips and Miss Miller when obtaining working permits. Not pictured: Mary Hesselkus, Librarian.





Mr. Howard Wheeler examines the work of one of his English students



Porgy, a recent Broadway play, is the topic of conversation between Mr. Kendall Falke and wife of Mr. Charles King, guest soloist.



Kendall Falke  
B. S., M. A.  
Ohio State University



Howard Wheeler  
B. S., in Ed.  
Bowling Green State

## English Offers Variety

To be or not to be, that is NOT the question. The question is: Have the students learned anything in English this year?

There seems to be no doubt that they have been studying a wide variety of things.

While Mr. Kendall Falke's English classes were busy giving arguments for and against Henry David Thoreau, his journalism class was working on the school paper and the annual.

Mr. Howard Wheeler taught his seventh and eighth grade classes the fundamentals of grammar and literature.

The students of Mrs. Naomi Weibe's English classes were reading such classics as "The Ancient Mariner" and "Treasure Island".

Under the direction of Mr. Donald Harness, the speech class put on several plays, one of which was student written. An outgrowth of the class was the radio program, Club Seventeen, with Disc Jockeys, Ted Smith and Alan Robinson. It was heard every Saturday on Station WEOL, Elvira, from 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. Another outgrowth was a radio program, Teen-Age Record Party, which sports Joe Murray and Bill Cash, over WLEC, Sandusky, Saturday afternoons from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.



Naomi Weibe  
A. B.  
Bluffton College



Donald Harness  
B. S. in Ed.  
Wilmington

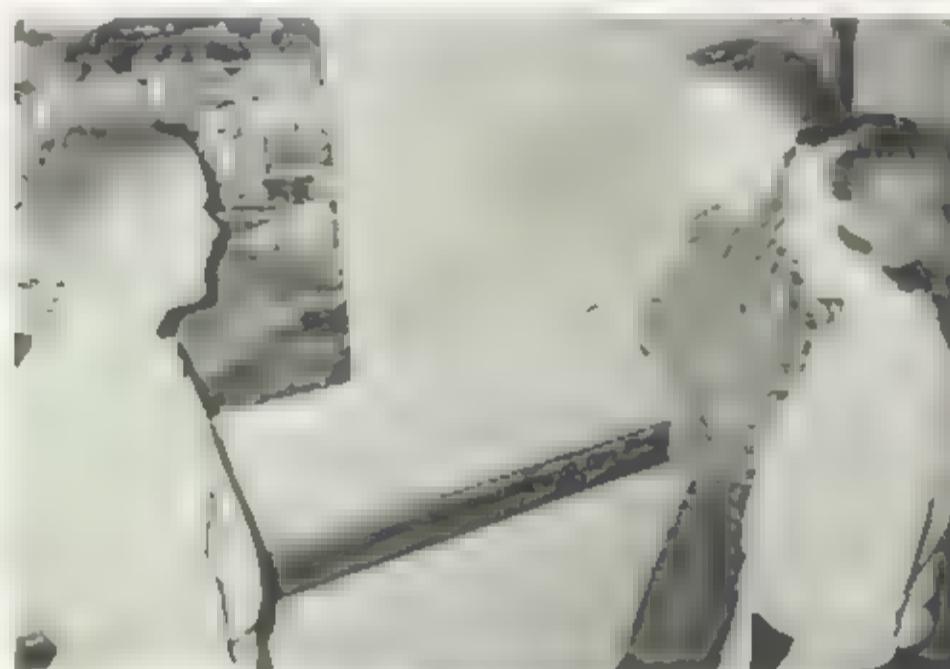
## Languages Present Challenges

To many people, Latin may be considered to be a dead language, but not to the students of Miss Madge Mossman's Latin class. Here they learned the conjugation of the various verbs and, most important, how to understand the language.

Pupils of Mr. P. J. Garcia's classes went around speaking Spanish to all they met. With fellow classmates this worked out fine, but those who did not take the subject had just to nod in agreement to save embarrassment.



Madge C. Mossman  
Ph. B.  
Denton University



Charles Fadley points out the Roman ruins located in France to Peter White and Judy Carpenter in Latin class.



P. J. Garcia  
B. Th., B. D.  
Colgate University



Learning the proper use and details of radio is part of the fundamentals included in Mr. Harness's speech class, as shown by Stan Chapin and Alan Robinson.



Mr. P. J. Garcia pronounces and sounds out the Spanish words, La lección para mañana to Shirley Marion, Martha Motsch, and Mary Finch.

## Science Promotes World Progress

*W*HILE Miss Ruth Bell's biology classes were busy dissecting earthworms and learning the bones of the body, her science classes spent their time studying the general science field.

Mr. Maurice Fowler's physics class conducted experiments to find out how much energy is needed to run up a flight of stairs. His chemistry class became well aware of the hazards of that class after a few of them became ill when some gas they were working with got out of hand.

Mr. Harry Shadle taught seventh and eighth graders science. In this class they learned about the scientific side of nature and life. One of their projects was to see how many types of leaves they could find and name.



Maurice Fowler  
A. B.  
Rio Grande



Ruth Bell  
A. B. Oberlin College  
M. A. Wellesley College



Irene Ferrell, Marge Gfell,  
Charles Miller, and Ronnie  
Morehouse dissect a fish in  
biology class.



Harry S. Shadle  
A. B. Mount Union  
M. A. Western Reserve

Creating an electric spark in an ex-  
periment are Bob Mitchell, John  
Schaus, Alan Wickert, and Don  
Young.



## Mathematics Improves The Mind

HIGHER mathematics was a subject of much interest to many high school students. It was also of interest to Mr. Burton Chandler who taught math. The classes included algebra, plane geometry and trigonometry.

Eighth graders received their knowledge in arithmetic from Mr. Isaiah Owen. He also taught a class in general mathematics for freshmen, which included a review of the arithmetic for the preceeding year.

The seventh grade classes were taught by Mrs. Blanche Zuercher. The course of study for this year was in solving story problems, working with fractions, and a brief preview of algebra.



Burton Chandler  
B. S.  
Denison University



Mrs. Blanche Zuercher explains the fundamentals of interest problems to seventh grade math students, Jerry Wagner and Henry Timman.



Blanche Zuercher  
B. S.  
College of Wooster



Two of Mr. Burton Chandler's students, Grant Walb, Jr. and John Zink, work on a problem of higher mathematics.



Isaiah Owen  
A. B. Fairmont State  
M. A. West Virginia

## Social Studies Strengthen Democracy



**M**R. C. N. STEVENSON shows double identity as teacher of both American history and American government. Round table discussions concerning current events were held frequently in several classes.

When not coaching the Truckers, Mr. Grant Walls coached his world history classes throughout the year as they studied the civilizations from prehistoric to present time.

With Mr. T. R. Storer as their guide, seventh graders traveled the well-worn highways of our country's life from then to now.

C. N. Stevenson  
B. A. Ohio Wesleyan  
M. A. Ohio State



Alan Robinson, Jim Spalsbury, Stan Chapin, and Jim Rogers discuss the national school problem in Mr. C. N. Stevenson's government class.



Grant Walls  
A. B.  
Indiana Normal



The star representing the state of Ohio in the American Flag is pointed out to Mr. T. R. Storer by boy scout Dennis Robbins, while Stanley Mills and Ronnie Coe watch.



T. R. Storer  
B. S. in Ed.  
Ashland College

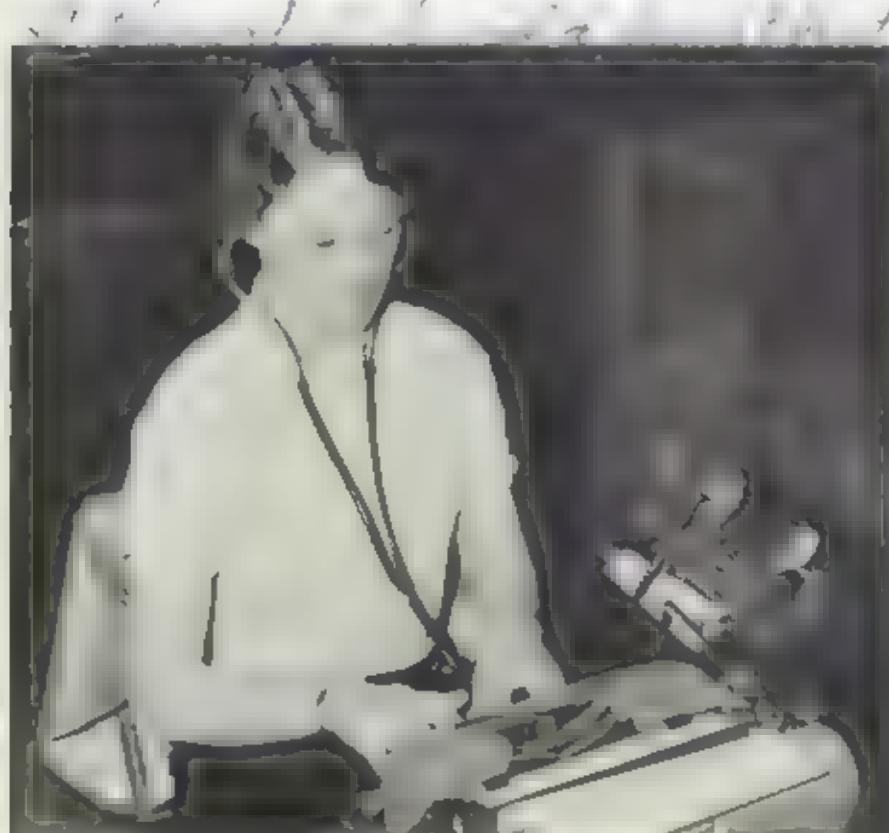
## Commercial Studies Make Efficient Secretaries

ASSETS equal liabilities plus proprietorship. This statement was the by-word of Mr. Rex Lantz' bookkeeping classes. Students learned the principles of bookkeeping and accounting here. Other subjects that Mr. Lantz taught were first and second year shorthand, general business, and office practice.

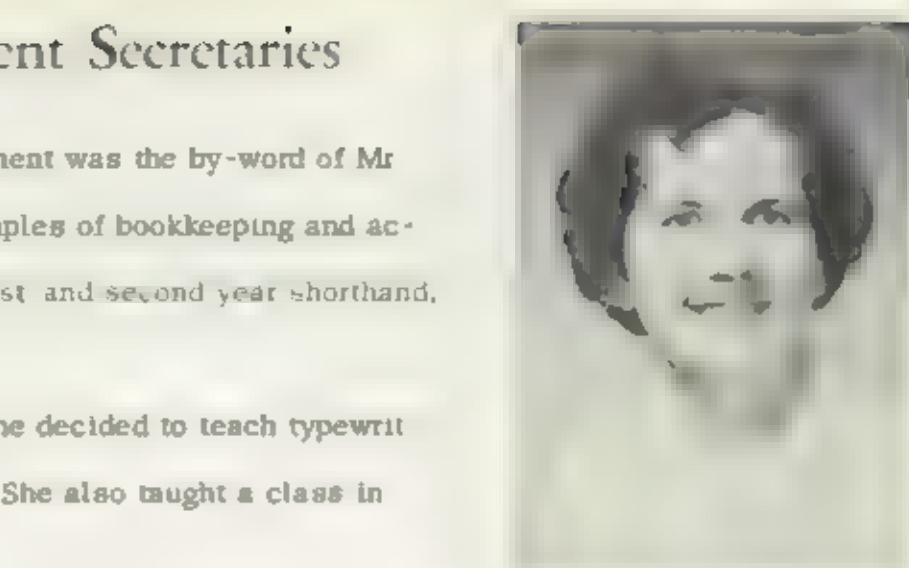
Miss June Wilchek picked out a career of pecking when she decided to teach typewriting. She had classes of sophomores, juniors, and seniors. She also taught a class in general business.



Dictating to future office workers, Barbara Cook, Pat Sellinger, and Dorlene Braker, is Mr. Rex Lantz.



Secretary-to-be Doris Worcester practices using the dictaphone in office-practice class.



June Wilchek  
A. B.  
Baldwin Wallace



Rex Lantz  
B. S., Ohio University  
M. A., Wyoming



Through the advice of Miss June Wilchek, Sharon Gott is learning to type skillfully.



E. LaVerne Parks  
A. B., M. A. Oberlin  
M. A. Western Reserve



Nancy Carrick  
A. M.  
Heidelberg College

## Home Economics Prepares Future Homemakers

A STITCH in time saves nine" was a well-fitting statement for the junior high home economics classes.

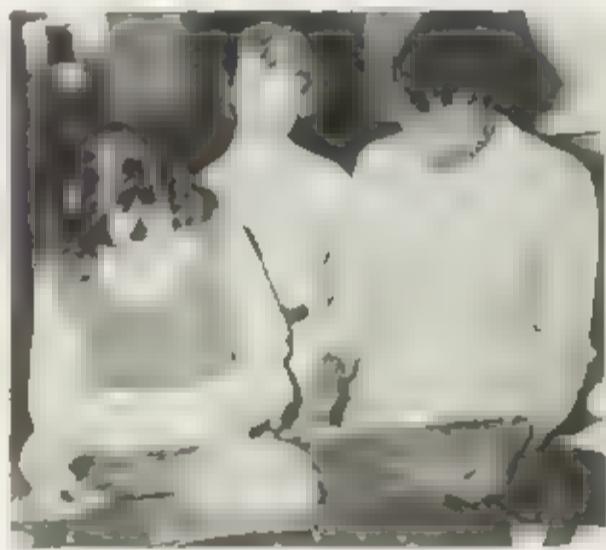
Under the direction of Miss LaVerne Parks, the girls were taught homemaking habits

Mrs. Nancy Carrick taught the senior high home economics classes. In these courses the girls learned the more advanced methods of sewing and cooking. One project of this year was that of refinishing furniture

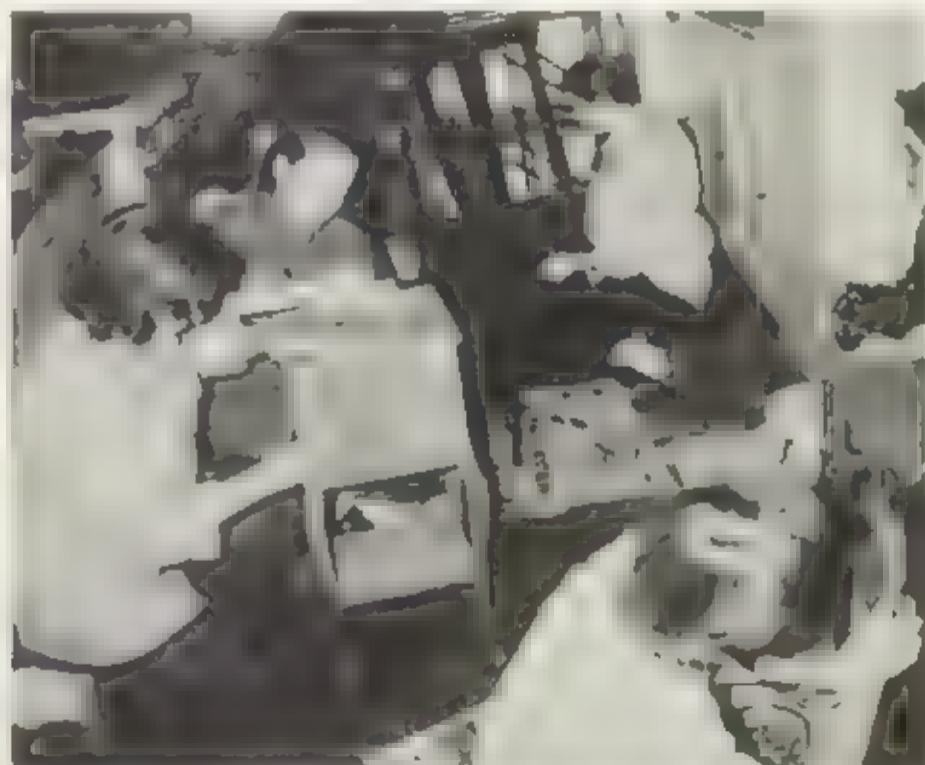
Carol Downing smiles an approval of Eleanor Twitchell's cake.



Carol Hutchinson, Betty Hainline, and Flosie Boyd admire their successful baking job.



Under the supervision of Miss LaVerne Parks, Lois Blackert and Linda Zink try their ability at the sewing machine.



Refinishing furniture is one of the projects of the senior home economics class taught by Mrs. Nancy Carrick.



H. E. Rolsten  
B. S. Ohio University  
M. A. Ohio State



Richard Vogt  
B. S. in Ed.  
Ohio University



S. Henry Smith  
B. S.  
Miami University



A principle of auto mechanics is illustrated by Mr. H. E. Rolsten to Stan Chapin and Dave Munson



Allen Beach displays a chest he completed in wood shop



Exact measurements are essential in any wood working project, says Mr. Henry Smith.

## Physical Education Builds Strong Bodies



Howard Hershey  
B. S.  
Miami University

R. HOWARD HERSEY taught the ABC's of athletics to the boys of Norwalk High School. They were taught the principles of the various games and participated in such sports as volleyball, basketball, tumbling, and wrestling.

The girls of Norwalk High School were also taught the ABC's of athletics, only by Miss Marilyn Mellinger. They learned the rules of how to play such games as volleyball, basketball, badminton, and field hockey. Many of the girls played in games held at noon and received points toward GAA eligibility.



Marilyn Mellinger  
B. S. in Ed  
Bowling Green

Knowing the correct way to pivot is an important rule in girls' basketball.



A technique of wrestling is demonstrated by Dave Miller and Jack George.

Mitchell Loudy is ready to spike a serve as the boys play a game of volleyball in a gym class.

## Art and Music Produce Refinement

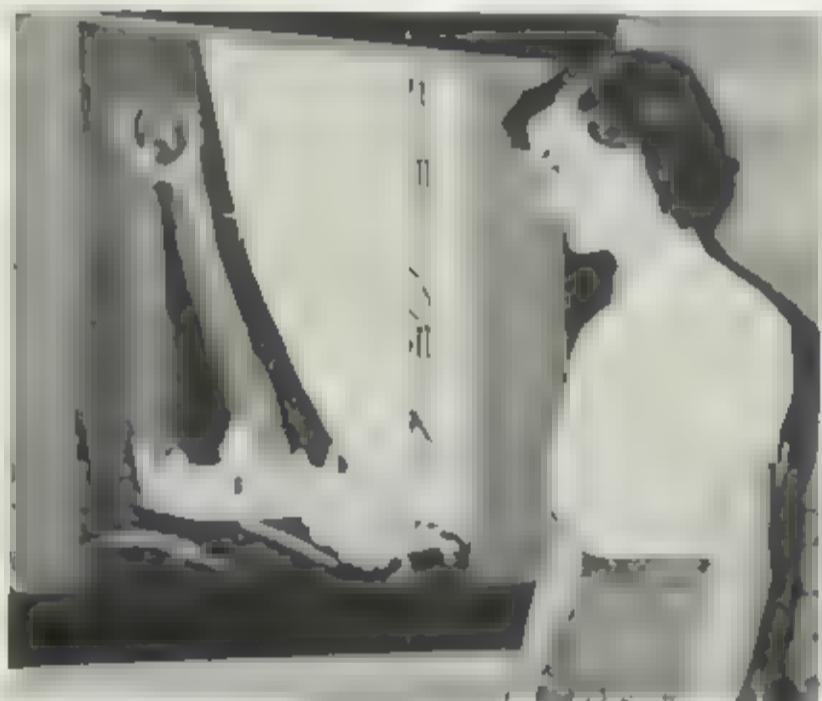
**A** is for Art taught by Mrs. Eva Harkness. Leather-craft in the junior high and enameling on copper in the senior high were main projects of the year.

**B** is for Band taught by Mr. R. P. Laycock. Among his classes were marching band, symphonic band, and orchestra.

**C** is for Chorus taught by Mr. Henry Gladigan. This included a junior high and a senior high chorus, which gave several concerts throughout the year.



LaWana Swartz receives a helping hand on her lesson from Mr. R. P. Laycock.



One of the posters made by the art class gets the admiration of Nancy Wilcox.



Charcoal portraits are an important project of the art class as shown by Barbara Bess, Janna Stoutenburg, and Evelyn Baker.



Eva Harkness  
B. S. Art Ed.  
Miami University



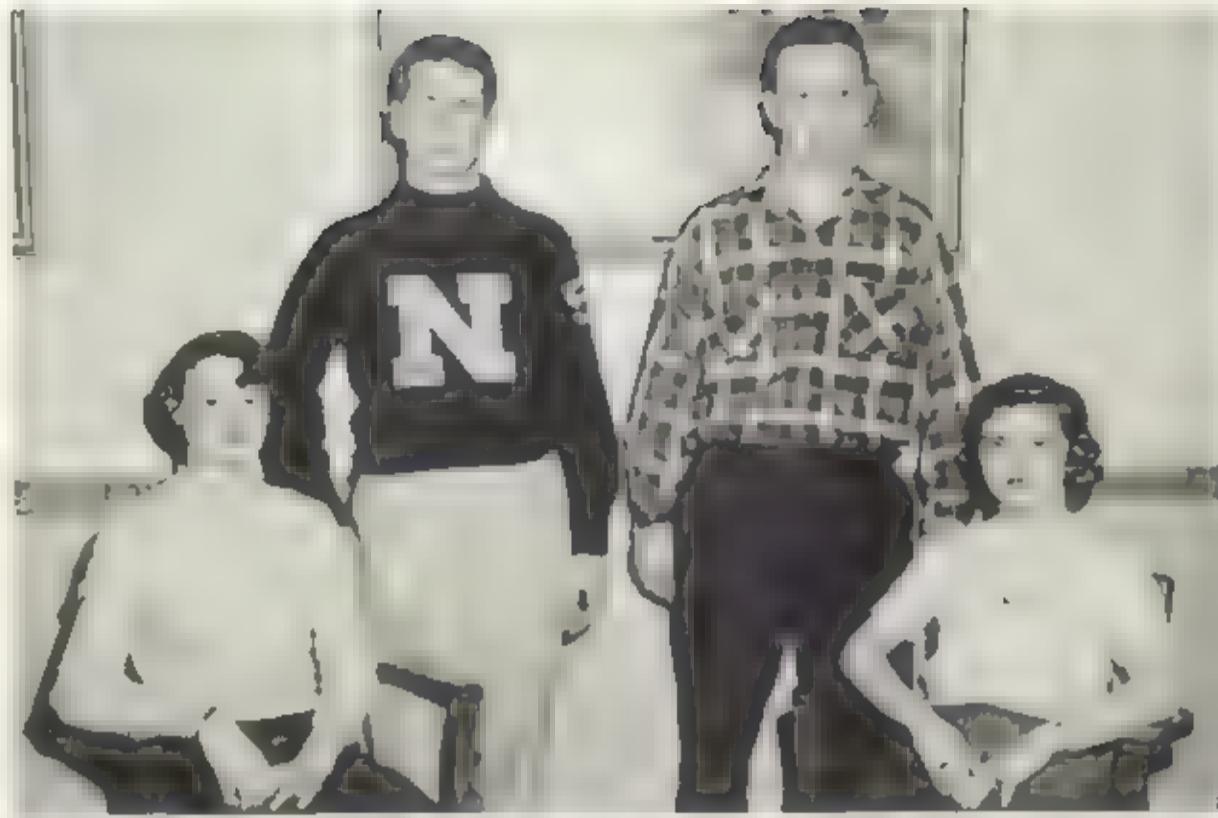
Henry Gladigan  
B. S. Kent State  
M. A. Western Reserve



R. P. Laycock  
B. S. Cincinnati  
M. A. Colorado

## Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

In all activities the officers of the senior class set the pace. As a group, they took care of all graduation activities and planned the senior trip to New York City. As individuals, they exerted an active influence in many fields - scholarship, sports, and clubs. Where they were unable to assume the leadership, they offered their support to those who seemed better qualified.



Senior class officers are Doris Worcester, secretary; Dominic Caprara, president; Stan Chapin, vice-president; and Alice Shanik, treasurer.

### DONNA JEAN ALLEN

Girls' Intramurals 10-12; FTA 9-12; Style Show 9-12.

### ALAN SCOTT ANGELL JR.

Football 8, 12; Basketball 7-12; Tennis 9-12; Marching Band 10, H: Y 9-12. District Scholarship Tests 10. Chorus 7, 8, 11, 12, Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12, National Honor Society 11, 12.

### RONALD GENE BAKER

Football 9; Hi-Y 9-11. Safety Patrol 7, 8 Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12.

### GENE ALFRED BALLARD

Football 10. Basketball 7, 8, Track 9, 12, Marching Band 8, 9, Orchestra 9, Hi Y 10-12, Chorus 10-12, Safety Patrol 8; Jr.-Sr. Play 11.

### ALLEN RUSSELL BEACH

Football 7-12, Basketball 7-12, Track 9, 11, 12, Tennis 11, 12; Golf 10; Safety Patrol 8.



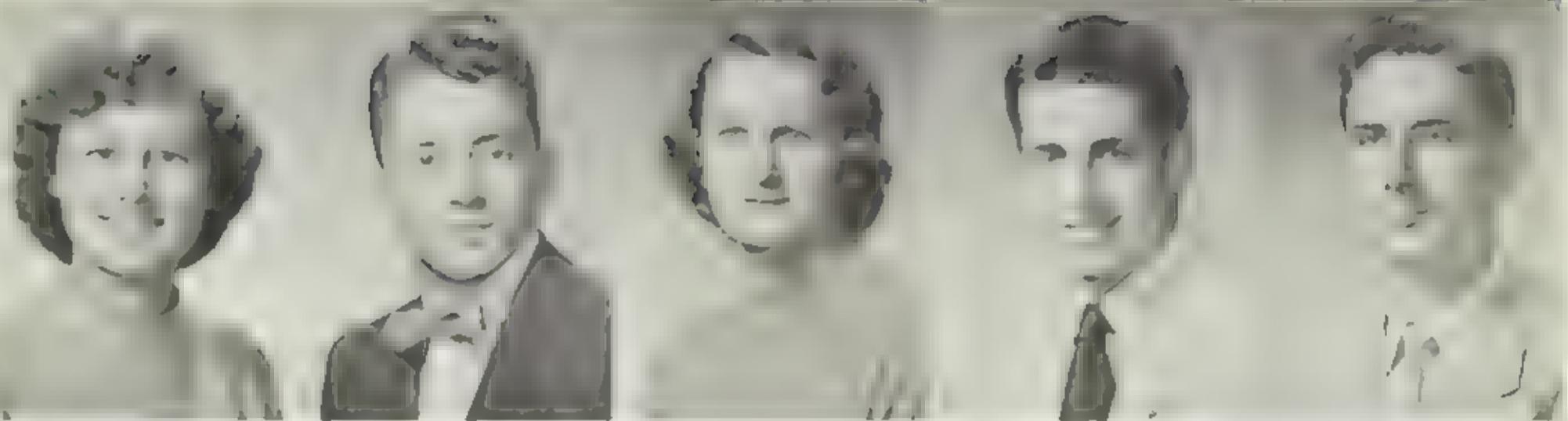
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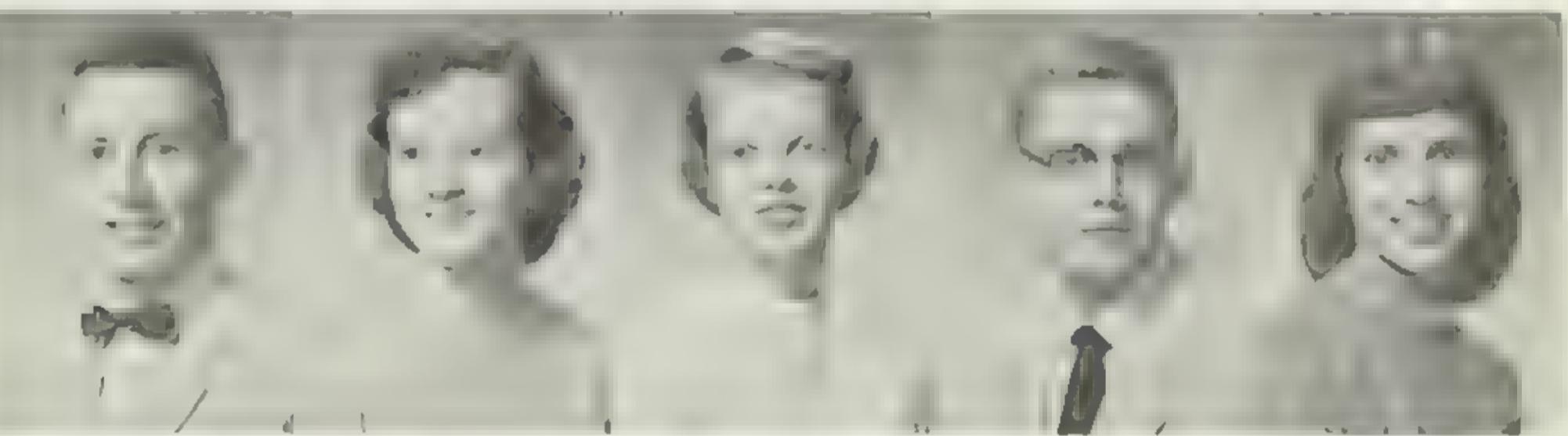
ANITA BEIGHTOL

BOB BETSCHMAN

DORLENE BRAKER

DOMINIC CAPRARA

DON CARLEY



STAN CHAPIN

LIZ CISSNE

BARBARA COOK

JOHN COPSEY

MOLLY CROSSEN

**ANITA MAY BEIGHTOL**

Marching Band 8-12; Orchestra 8-12; Pep Band 10-12;  
Symphonic Band 8-12.

**ROBERT RAY BETSCHMAN**

**DORLENE ANN BRAKER**

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Michigan State 11; GAA 10-12;  
Style Show 7, 8.

**DOMINIC MICHAEL CAPRARA**

Football 10-12, Basketball Manager 10 Librarian 9-12  
Signal Staff 11, 12; Student Council 11; Class Officer 7, 8,  
11, 12; District Scholarship Tests 10.

**DONALD CARLEY**

Track 9; Marching Band 8.

**STANLEY RAYMOND CHAPIN**

Football 7-12 Basketball 7-10 Track 9-12 Michigan  
State Cheerleader 11 Hi-Y 9-12 Signal Staff 7, 8, Student  
Council 10; Class Officer 8, 11, 12; District Scholarship

Tests 11; Projector Club 7-12; Safety Patrol 7, 8; Stage  
Crew 10.

**ELIZABETH ANNE CISSNE**

Girls' Intramurals 9-12 Ohio State 10, 11 Marching  
Band 8-12, Orchestra 8-12; Pep Band 12; Symphonic Band  
8-12; Y-Teens 9-12; GAA 10-12; Signal Staff 7, 8, 12;  
Style Show 7, 8; Chorus 11.

**BARBARA RUTH COOK**

Girls' Intramurals 10-12; Y-Teens 11, 12; GAA 10, 12,  
District Scholarship Tests 11, Chorus 10-12, Style Show  
12.

**JOHN MELVIN COPSEY**

Chorus 8-10; Safety Patrol 7.

**MOLLY STOCKDALE CROSSEN**

Girls' Intramurals 9-12 Michigan State 11 Varsity  
Cheerleader 12 Reserve Cheerleader 9-10, Y-Teens 9-11,  
GAA 10-12 FTA 12 Class Officer 8-9, Chorus 7-12 Jr  
Sr. Play 11.



MARY CROSSER



CAROL DOWNING



RUTH EARL



KATHY FINCH



JOHN FRANCISCO



RONNIE FREEMAN



MARJORIE ANN GPPELL



LEROY STACEY GIFFORD



HARRY E. GRIFFIN



CAROL ANN HAMISFAR

**MARY ANN CROSSER**

Y-Teens 10-12; Signal Staff 12; District Scholarship Tests 12; Chorus 7-12.

**CAROL ANNE DOWNING**

Y-Teens 9, 10; Truckerettes 10-12; Style Show 8, 10-12; Chorus 7-9; Safety Patrol 7, 8.

**RUTH ANNE EARL**

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Marching Band 8-12; Orchestra 11, 12; Pep Band 11, 12; Symphonic Band 8-12; Class Officer 11; Homecoming Queen 12.

**KATHRYN NANCY FINCH**

Marching Band 8-11; Pep Band 10, 11; Symphonic Band 8-11; Y-Teens 9-12; Librarian 11, 12; Signal Staff 12; Style Show 8.

**WILLIAM JOHN FRANCISCO**

Football 10-12; Basketball 8-12; Track 9-12.

**RONALD HAROLD FREEMAN**

Hi-Y 9-12; District Scholarship Tests 9, 11.

**MARJORIE ANN GPPELL**

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Ohio State Team 10-12; Y-Teens 9-12; GAA 10-12; Truckerettes 9, 10; Style Show 9, 10; Chorus 9-11; Jr.-Sr. Plays 12.

**LEROY STACEY GIFFORD**

Marching Band 8, 9.

**HARRY E. GRIFFIN**

Football 10, 11; Marching Band 7-10; Orchestra 8-10; Pep Band 8-10; Symphonic Band 7-10; German Band 8-10; Projector Club 8-12.

**CAROL ANN HAMISFAR**

Girls' Intramurals 10-12; GAA 12; Truckerettes 10-11; Librarian 12; Style Show 10-12; Chorus 10-12.



Waiting for everyone to get seated, the seniors relax and anticipate the coming assembly.



Seniors in the home-econ classes enjoy a meal they planned and prepared.

## Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

DURING their last hectic and busy year the seniors always found time to congregate frequently for some sort of activity. Whether they took their usual seats in a formal assembly being conducted by some of their members, or whether they gathered informally around the table to enjoy one of the tasty meals prepared by the advanced home economics class, the seniors enjoyed the idea of getting together.

DONALD LOYD HAMISFAR

RICHARD MORRIS HEASTON

Football 7-12; Basketball 7-12; Track 9, 10, 12; Tennis 11, 12; HI-Y 9-12; Librarian 11; Signal Staff 12; Student Council 9, 11, 12; Class Officer 8, 10; Chorus 8; Safety Patrol 7; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12.

JAMES EDWARD HEIL

GEORGE MICHAEL HIGGINS

HELEN ELIZABETH HITE  
Style Show 9-12.



DON HAMISFAR

DICK HEASTON

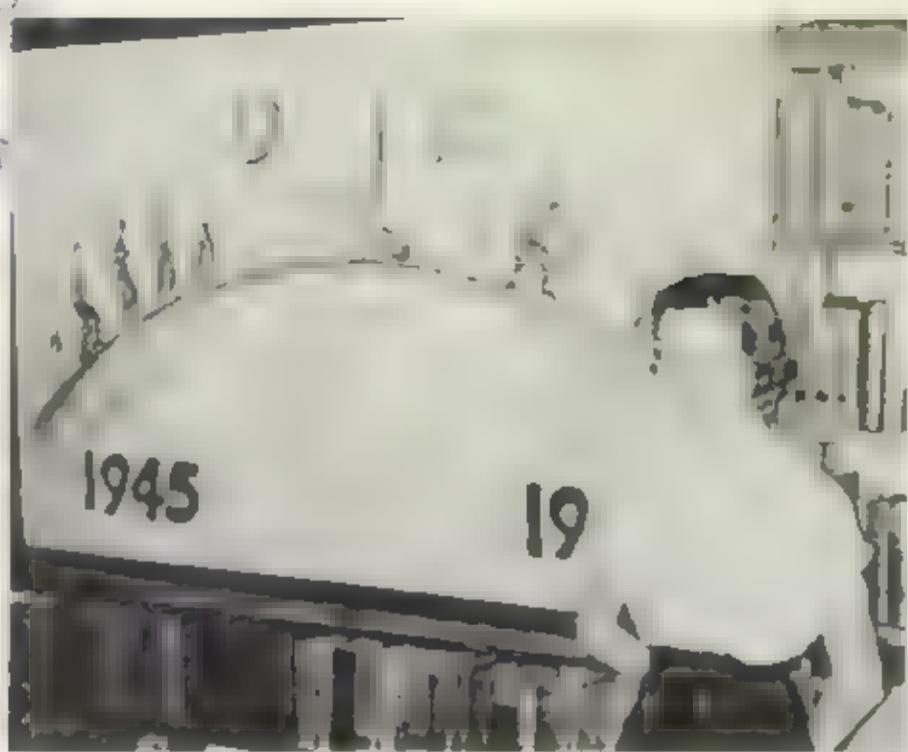
JM HEIL

GEORGE HIGGINS

HELEN HITE



Working on his customized car is one of Dave Munson's foremost interests.



Janna Stoutenburg poses by the U.N. poster that she helped make

## Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

VARIOUS seniors with particular interests and talents pursued their own hobbies. Sometimes these were merely for their own satisfaction, often they proved beneficial to many groups within the school. Whatever the purpose, each of them felt a sense of pride in his achievement and was pleased with whatever recognition he gained from it.

### HERALD ALBY HOWELL JR.

Football 7, 8, 10, 11, 12; Basketball 7, 8; Track 9; Class Officer 8.

### SHARON LYN HUMMEL

GAA 12; Chorus 12; Y-Teens 9-12.

### ESTHER MARIE KATONAK

Girls' Intramurals 9; Y-Teens 11, 12; Truckerettes 9, 10; Signal Staff 12; Style Show 9-11; Chorus 11.

### RONALD DEAN KEYSOR

Golf 9-11; Signal Staff 12; Chorus 8.

### EDWIN LANE KINNARD



HERALD HOWELL

SHARON HUMMEL

ESTHER KATONAK

RONALD KEYSOR

ED KINNARD



PAT KLEDIS



LORETTA KRAMER



DALE McCLEERY



MARTHA McDONALD



TED McGINN



DAVID MILLER



KENNY MILLER



MARILYN MILLER



DON MILLIS



RONNIE MOREHOUSE

**PATRICIA ANN KLEDIS**  
Y-Teens 10-12; Style Show 7-10.

**LORETTA MAB KRAMER**  
Truckerettes 11, 12; Style Show 9-12.

**DALE CARMEL McCREERY**  
Track 11; Hi-Y 11, 12; Chorus 8; Safety Patrol 8.

**MARY MARTHA McDONALD**  
Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Y-Teens 9-11; Y-Teen President 12; GAA 10-12; Librarian 12; Signal Staff 12; District Scholarship Tests 9-11; National Honor Society 11, 12.

**TED LEON McGINN**

**DAVID LAWRENCE MILLER**

**KENNETH EUGENE MILLER**  
Transferred from Townsend-Wakeman 1954; Football 10-12; Basketball 10-12; Track 10-12; Hi-Y 10-12, District Scholarship Tests 10-12; Style Show 11.

**MARILYN MARIE MILLER**  
Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Y-Teens 9-12; GAA 10-12; Truckerettes 9, 10; Librarian 11, 12; Style Show 7-10; Chorus 7-12.

**DONALD EUGENE MILLIS**

**RONALD ARED MOREHOUSE**  
Football 8, 12; Manager 9; Hi-Y 12; Safety Patrol 7, 8.



JACK MOSS



DAVE MUNSON



JOE MURRAY



STANLEY OBRENOVICH



DICK PAPLINSKI



CORA PIPER



DARLENE PRESSLEY



BILL RARICK



GRACE REAMER



LINDA RICKARD

**JACK ALLEN MOSS**  
Marching Band 10-12; Pep Band 11; Symphonic Band 10-12.

**DAVID GAIL MUNSON**  
Football 8-12; Basketball 9; Track 9-12; Hi-Y 9-12; Class Officer 9, 10; District Scholarship Tests 9; Chorus 8, 11; Jr.-Sr. Plays 12.

**JOSEPH NORMAN MURRAY**  
Football 8-12; Basketball 7-10; Track 9, 10; Ohio State Cheerleader 11; Hi-Y 9-12; Signal Staff 12; Chorus 7, 8; Safety Patrol 7, 8.

**STANLEY RICHARD OBRENOVICH**  
Basketball 11, 12; Safety Patrol 7, 8.

**RICHARD JOHN PAPLINSKI**  
Football 8-12; Basketball 10-12; Track 9, 10; Hi-Y 9-12.

Librarian 12; Signal Staff 12; Class Officer 9; Chorus 7-10; Safety Patrol 7, 8; Jr.-Sr. Plays 12.

**CORA GRACE PIPER**  
Girls' Intramurals 10-12; Style Show 10; Chorus 9, 11.

**DARLENE SANDRA PRESSLEY**  
Girls' Intramurals 10; Y-Teens 9, 12; GAA 12; Truckerettes 9-11; Style Show 7-11; Chorus 7, 8, 10, 12.

**WILLIAM LESLIE RARICK**  
Chorus 7, 8; Safety Patrol 7, 8.

**GRACE IRENE REAMER**  
Girls' Intramurals 9, 11; Signal Staff 11.

**LINDA SUE RICKARD**  
Y-Teens 9, 10; District Scholarship Tests 10; Chorus 7, 9-12.



Skip Howell, Jim Rogers, Stan Chapin and Joe Murray play as Inmen in their senior year.

A Chinese midget is portrayed by Jim Roger in an assembly. The hands belong to Stan Chapin.

## Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

BOOTH in work and in play the seniors took a prominent part. Even before school officially began, they began reporting to the practice field to begin conditioning their muscles for football. They followed through with basketball and track.

But play sometimes took a lighter vein. In the various dramatic productions the seniors made their marks as comedians and serious actors.

### ALAN GRANT ROBINSON

Michigan State Cheerleader 10, 11; Orchestra 8-11; Hi-Y 9-12; Student Council 7, 8, 10, 11, 12; District Scholarship Tests 9-11; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12; National Honor Society 11, 12.

### JOHN DARYL SCHAECHTERLE

### CARL DALE SEARLS

### JAMES RUSSELL SEILING

Safety Patrol 7, 8.

### JAMES WILSON ROGERS

Football 8-12; Basketball 8-12; Track 9; Tennis 10-12; Michigan State Cheerleader 10; Hi-Y 9-12; Class Officer 10; District Scholarship Tests 9-11; Jr.-Sr. Play 12.



ALAN ROBINSON

JIM ROGERS

JOHN SCHAECHTERLE

DALE SEARLS

JIM SEILING



White Christmas gifts are presented to Lieutenant Jean Manholland of the Salvation Army by Student Council President, Alan Robinson.

## Seniors Excelled in Many Ways

MANY times the role that the seniors played went beyond the boundaries of the school and the school's project became a part of the community's activity. The plays presented, the games won, the scholarships achieved were success in which the people of Norwalk shared. They also benefited from the Community Chest and Red Cross drives and the annual White Christmas offering.

### PATRICIA ANN SELLINGER

Girls' Intramurals 10, 11; Y-Teens 9, 11, 12; Signal Staff 12; District Scholarship Tests 9, 12; Style Show 7, 8, Chorus 7, 8; National Honor Society 11, 12.

### ALICE VALENTINE SHANTZ

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Ohio State Cheerleader 11; Reserve Cheerleader 9; Y-Teens 9-12; GAA 10-12, GAA President 12; Signal Staff 11, 12; Class Officer 12; District Scholarship Tests 10, Chorus 9, 10; Projector Club 9-12, Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12.

### RAY CHARLES SMITH

Transferred from Marysville High School, Marysville, Ohio, 1955.

### TED OWEN SMITH

Football Manager 9; Basketball 10; Track 9, 10, 12; Student Announcer 10-12; Hi-Y 12; Signal Staff 12; Chorus 9; Stage Crew 11.

### DEANNA KATHERINE SMOLINSKI

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; Reserve Cheerleader 9, 10; Majorettes 10-12; Marching Band 7-12; Orchestra 8-12; Symphonic Band 8-12; Y-Teens 9-11; GAA 10-12; Style Show 7, 8, 11.



PAT SELLINGER

ALICE SHANTZ

RAY SMITH

TED SMITH

DEANNA SMILINSKI



PAT SOUSLIN



JIM SPALSBURY



JANNA STOUTENBURG



JACK TONEY



PAT WIGGINS



DORIS WORCESTER



BOB WRIGHT



VIRGINIA ZUREICH

#### **PATRICIA ANN SOUSLIN**

Girls' Intramurals 11; F.T.A. 10-12; District Scholarship Tests 11; Style Show 9-12.

#### **JAMES ARTHUR SPALSBURY**

Football 7-12; Basketball 7-9; Track 9, 10, 12; Hi-Y 9-12; Librarian 10-12; Chorus 7-9, 12; Projector Club 7-12; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11, 12.

#### **JANNA LOU STOUTENBURG**

Y-Teens 9-12; Signal Staff 7, 12; Class Officer 11; District Scholarship Tests 9-11; Style Show 7, 8; Chorus 7, 9, 10, 11.

#### **JACKIE DEAN TONEY**

#### **PATRICIA WIGGINS**

Style Show 10; Chorus 10-12; Jr.-Sr. Plays 11.

#### **DORIS IRENE WORCESTER**

Girls' Intramurals 9-12; GAA 12; Truckerettes 10; Student Council 10, 12; Class Officer 10, 12; Style Show 9-12; Librarian 10-12.

#### **ROBERT EUGENE WRIGHT**

Projector Club 7-12; Football 8; Basketball 10.

#### **VIRGINIA MARGARET ZUREICH**

Girls' Intramurals 9, 10, 12; Y-Teens 9; Truckerettes 9; Style Show 9, 10, 12; Chorus 9, 12.

## Juniors Are Busy People



Don Zureich, secretary; Shirley Marion, vice president; Jackie Helsel, president; and Eleanor Twitchell, treasurer; confer on plans for a class meeting

AMONG the many class activities the juniors were led by their officers in business, fun, and good deeds. They enjoy the prospects of being seniors next year.

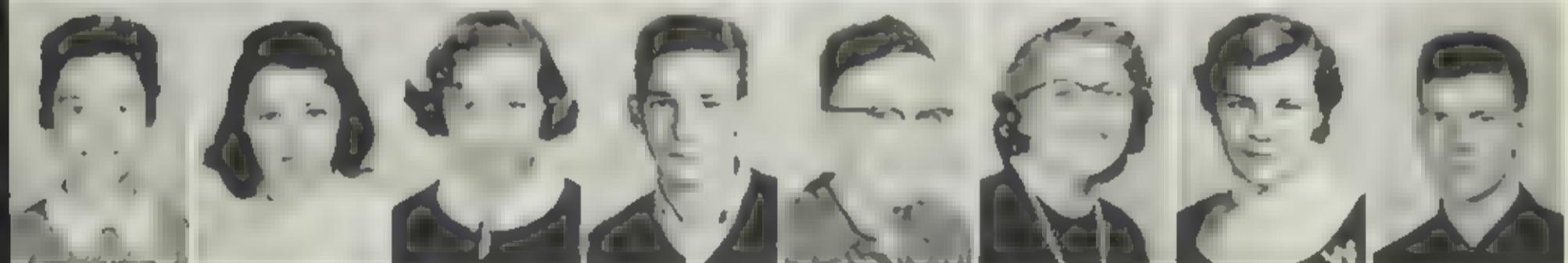




Don Young III and Marge Fox hand in the final drafts of their essays for the American Legion essay contest in which they won the top honors.



George D. ehl practices the organ for the musical effects in the fall play.





MITCHELL  
LOUDY



SHERLEY  
MARLON



PHIL  
MAY



OLIVE  
McKINNEY



PAM  
METZGER



JOYCE  
MEYER



FOREST  
MIDDGAUGH



MONNIE  
MILLER



Jackie Nelson, Molly Crotter, and Valerie Eddy hurry to a pep assembly.

## Juniors Are Busy People

**A**s cheerleaders they plan for pep meetings to cheer the Truckers on to victories and get the student body behind their team.



BOB  
MITCHELL



BRUCE  
MOORE



MARTHA  
MOTSCHE



ANITA  
MURRAY



PHILLIP  
OGLESBY



NANCY  
OLSON



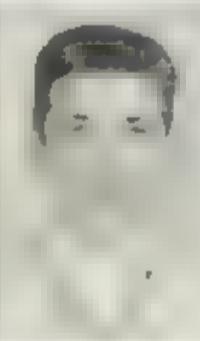
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OMMERT



JEANNE  
PECKHAM



LOUIS  
PENFIELD



DAVE  
PIGEON



VONNIE  
REED



CYNTHIA  
REVITZER



NANCY  
RICE



CAROL  
ROGERS



JOHN  
SCHAUSS



MARY ANNE  
SCHILD



BARBARA  
SCHLEGELMELCH



IMOGENE  
SMITH



RONALD  
SPINGER



ROSEMARY  
STOCKWELL



RONALD  
STRONG



NANCY  
THORNTON



MARY  
TIMMAN



SANDRA  
TINKER

PENNY  
TOMSELL

WESLEY  
TUTCHING

ELFANTR  
TWITCHELL

GRANT  
WALLS, JR.

ROBERT  
WARD

ALAN  
WICKERT

TONY  
WIGGINS



ROBERT  
WILSON

JERRY  
WOLFORD

RUSSELL  
WORCESTER

DON  
YOUNG

JOHN  
ZINK

DON  
ZURICH

Not pictured: Roland Baker, Darlene Perkins.

Donald Jay Bishman

December 27, 1939 - September 25, 1955



Mary Finch and Linda Watts help their T-Teens club decorate the school for the holiday season.



As FTA members, David Damaska, Bruce Moore, and Wesley Tutching learn about education.

AS juniors they joined clubs and helped to promote friendships and civic interest



The sophomore all boy cabinet includes Ernie Kohlmyer, vice-president; Floyd Boyd, secretary; Jim Ross, president; and Dave Thomas, treasurer.

## Sophomores Have Many Interests

To most of the sophomores school means a place and a time to improve themselves through work and study. Nevertheless, they still find time to join clubs and assume leadership with plenty of time left for just plain fun.





ERIKA  
DOUGHTY

JOHN  
ENDERNS

KATHERINE  
FESSENDEN

WILLIAM  
GEORGE

RONALD  
GOODSITE

SHARON  
GOTT

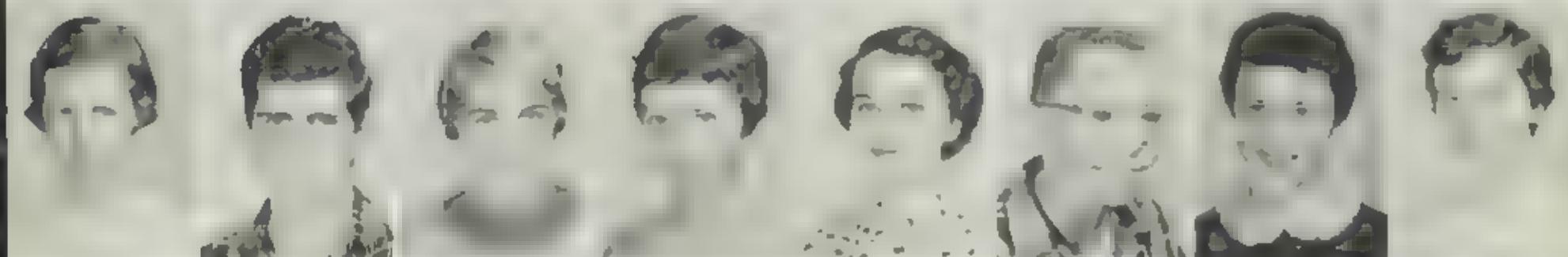
HUNTZ  
GREGORY

PATTIE  
GRIFFIN

**A**LTHOUGH sophomores take life fairly seriously, they stand out often as people who enjoy having fun. They are often seen gathered in small groups, laughing and jabbering all at once. A few engage in horseplay, and every now and then one of them can be caught alone with a member of the opposite sex.



Rob Baker escorts Sandra Tinker and Nancy Rice down the front steps and discusses a busy day.



MARIE  
GROSSWILER

ROGER  
HAMISPAR

RUTH  
HARTMAN

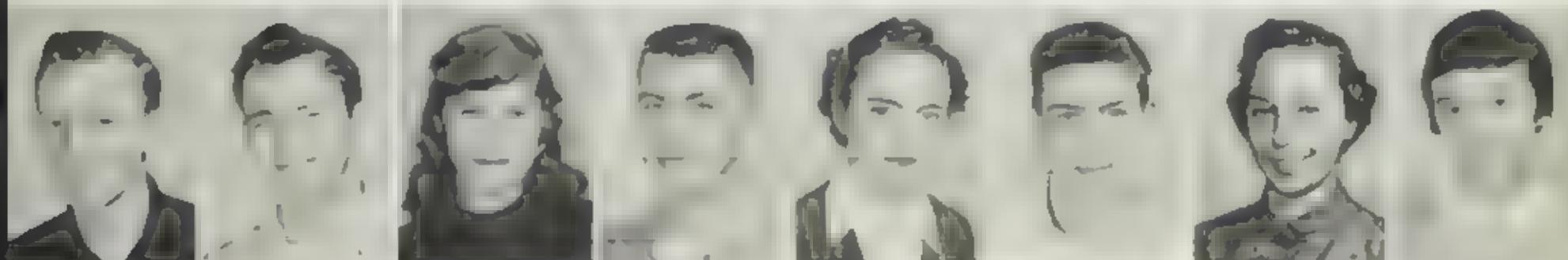
JUDY  
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TOM  
HUTTON

MARTHA  
JAMESON

JOANNE  
KAISER



RAYMOND  
KETTEL

GEORGE  
KING

DIANE  
KINNARD

ERNIE  
KOHLWYER

AUDREY  
KRAMER

FRANK  
KRAMER

DORIS  
KUNIN

KAY  
KUGEL



ALLEN  
LEADBETTER



CAROLYN  
LEDERER



VERA  
LIEDORFF



CAROL  
LINDER



SARAH  
LINN



DELORES  
LOHMAN



CARL  
LUND



THOMAS  
MARCH



While working in the library, Jeanie Lapp does a bit of homework assignment.

## Sophomores Have Many Interests

SOPHOMORES also begin to find a place for themselves in the school system. Many of them perform special services for the school, such as serving as librarians or running the movie projector, working at concession stands at the games or helping decorate the school for the Christmas season.



JUDY  
MARSHMAN



SUSAN  
MARTIN



LARRY  
MASON



DONNA  
McCRILLIS



JANET  
MESENBURG



RICHARD  
METZGER



CHARLES  
MILLER



JOYCE  
MILLER



DARL  
MUSHETT



PAUL  
NEASE



JOAN  
O'DELL



IRVIN  
OGLESBY



NORMAN  
OLSON



GLADYS  
PALM



CHARLES  
PENWELL



JOHN  
PHILLIPS



JUDY  
PIERCE



STEVE  
PLEASNER K.



GERALDINE  
RAVIT



MARVIN  
REVINE KAR



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RINGLE



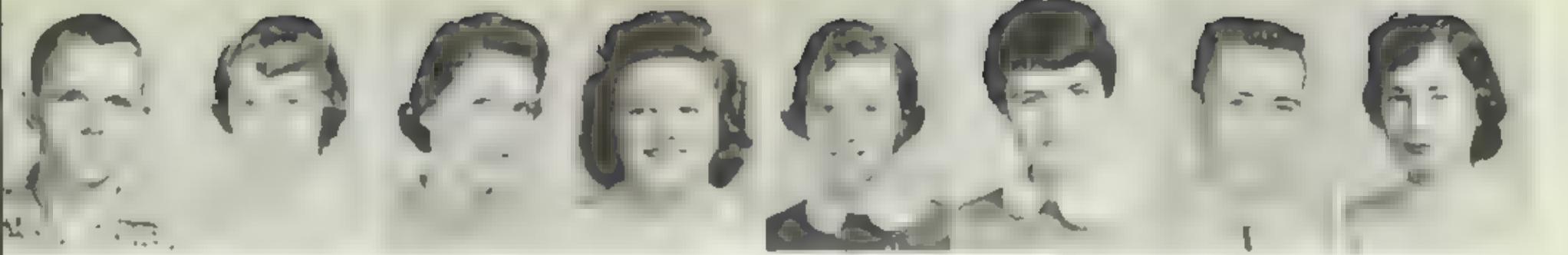
MARLENE  
RINGLE



WENDELL  
ROBINSON



JAMES  
ROSS



RICHARD  
SCHLEGELMILCH

DARLINE  
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DEANNA  
SCOTT

LORRAINE  
SHANTZ

CAROL  
SHELLEY

MARY  
SHUTTS

DAVID  
SITTERLY

SANDRA  
SMITH



DOLORES  
SMOLIN-KI

JOANNE  
SNYDER

DAVID  
SOMMERS

ROBERT  
SOMMERS

KATHLEEN  
STANTON

VERA  
STROHMEIER

DUANE  
STUTZMAN

DAVE  
THOMAS

### **SOPHOMORES often exert influence outside the school**

They are willing workers for house-to-house solicitations for charity organizations. In this year's magazine campaign to raise funds for the school publications, their members ranked high as salesmen.



*'reat what we always wanted'*

Not pictured: Larty Coon, Irene Ferrell, William Hirbe.

Zippy is held by Mary Shutts at one of her awards for being second high salesman in the magazine campaign.



TOM  
TIMMAN

CLIFFORD  
TRAILMAN

E. SIF  
TWITCHELL

LINDA  
USSELTON

JOY  
VAUGHAN

RICHARD  
VOLT

BARBARA  
WAHL

JOAN  
WELLS



TOM  
WESTRICK

STEVE  
WHITE

BARBARA  
WICKERT

NANCY  
WILCOX

SHIRLEY  
WITTER

ROLAND  
WOODSITE

PAM  
YOUNG

CONNIE  
ZEITER



JAMES  
ADELMAN



JERRY  
ALBRITTON



BEVERLY  
ALLEN



RICHARD  
ALLSHOUSE



CHRISTOPHER  
ANSELL



JOHN  
ARNETT



DAVID  
ASMUS



JOANNE  
BAKER



## Freshmen Are Growing Up

**A**S the freshmen gain entrance into senior high activities, they realize the importance of being grown-up.

Taking on the responsibilities of the class are its officers:

Cynda Haynes, treasurer; Judy Cunningham, secretary; Suzanne Smith, vice-president; and Duane Ringle, president



EVELYN  
BAKER



SANDRA  
BATES



MARGARET  
BATTLE



DALE  
BEACH



LARRY  
BECK



JUDY  
BISHMAN



ROBERT  
BLAUVELT



JUDY  
BOEPPLE



RICHARD  
BOWENS



CARLA  
BRUEK



DAVID  
BRUMELL



RAYMOND  
BURKETT



MARY  
CAREY



JUDY  
CARPENTER



LARRY  
CHAFFE



JOHN  
CLA-MAN



JUDY  
CLAPP



MARJORIE  
COLLIER



SANDRA  
CONNERTON



CLEMER  
COX



DOROTHY  
CRAY



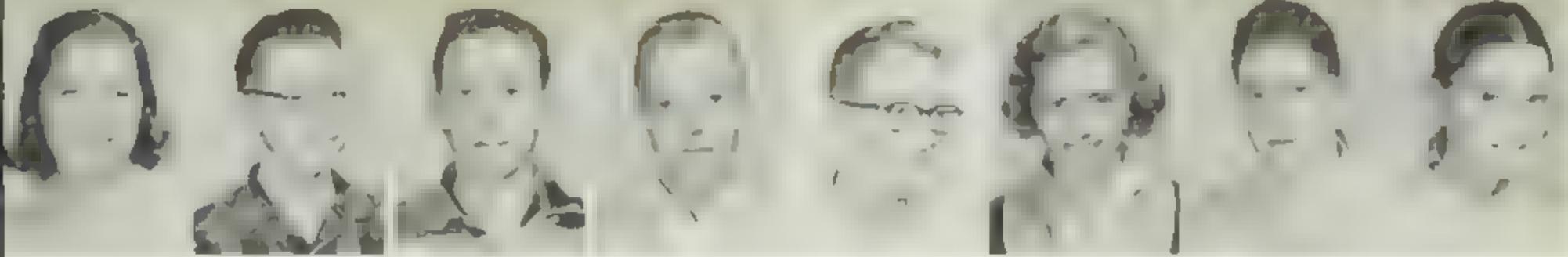
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JOHN DANN

GEORGE DeZELAR

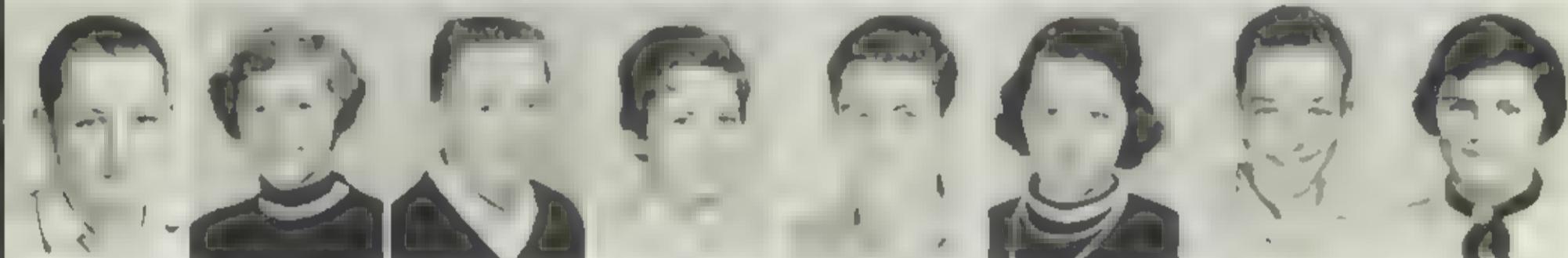
CRAIG DIETERICH

ROBERT DIETERICH

DELLA DOWNTNG

JAMES DUSKIN

NANCY EARLT



JERRY EMMONS

GEORGIE EVERMAN

CHUCK FADLEY

CLARANN FINCH

ROBERT FOWLER

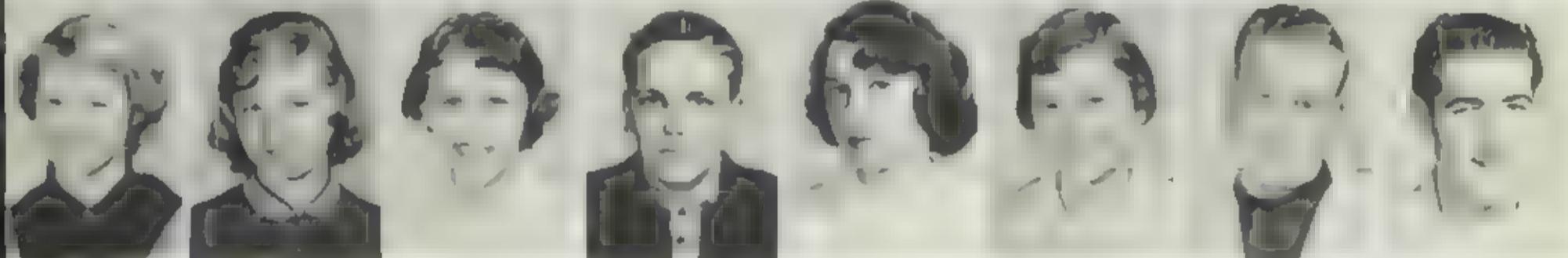
JOAN FRANKS

WALTER GALLOWAY

LOUISE GORMAN

**T**HE social activities during the year provide new acquaintances and lasting friendships

Virginia Naszodian, Sue Crossen, Sharee Roscoe  
Judy Cunningham, and Carol Crosser enjoy refreshments  
after club meeting



LORNA MAE GREGORY

BONITA GRUNOLD

MARILYN HARGRAVES

LEROY HARTSOCK

PATRICIA HAYES

CINDY HAYNES

WALTER HEALD

TED HEITSCH



RICHARD HEYL

YVONNE HINCKLEY

PATRICIA HOWELL

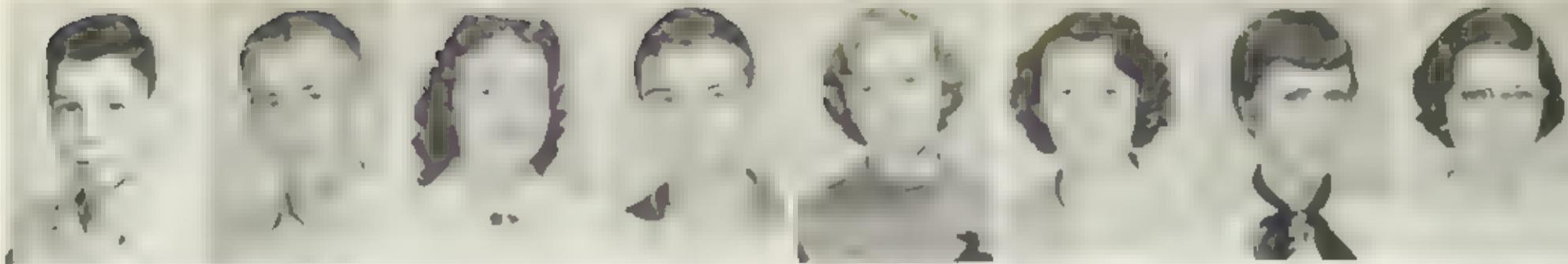
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NOEL KAECH

LORRAINE KATONAK

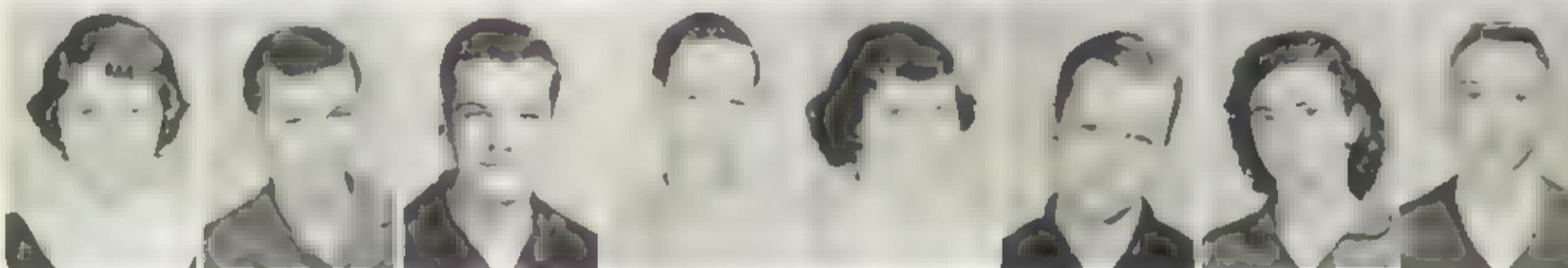
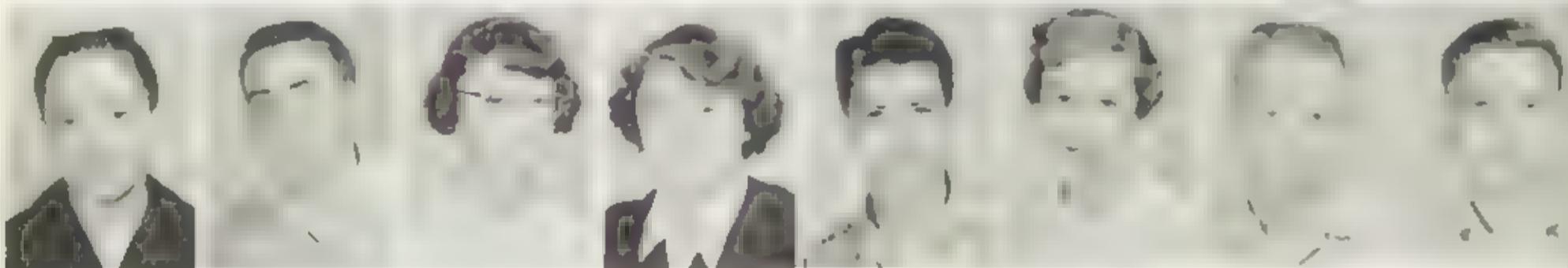
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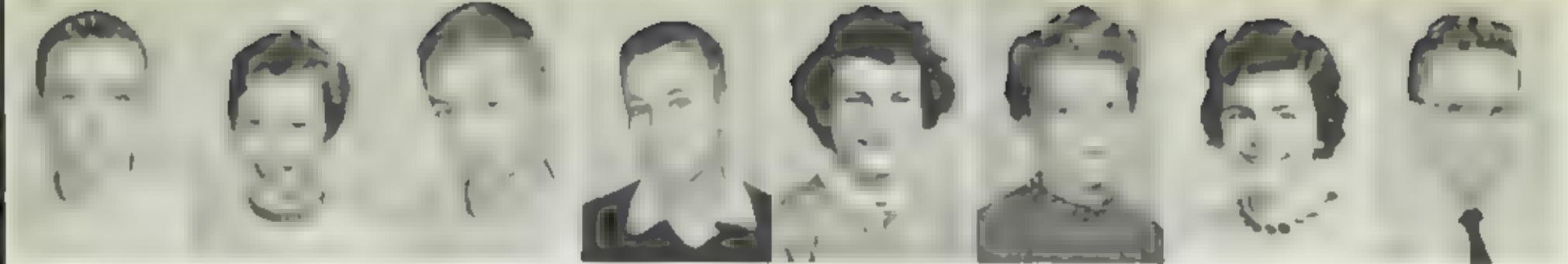
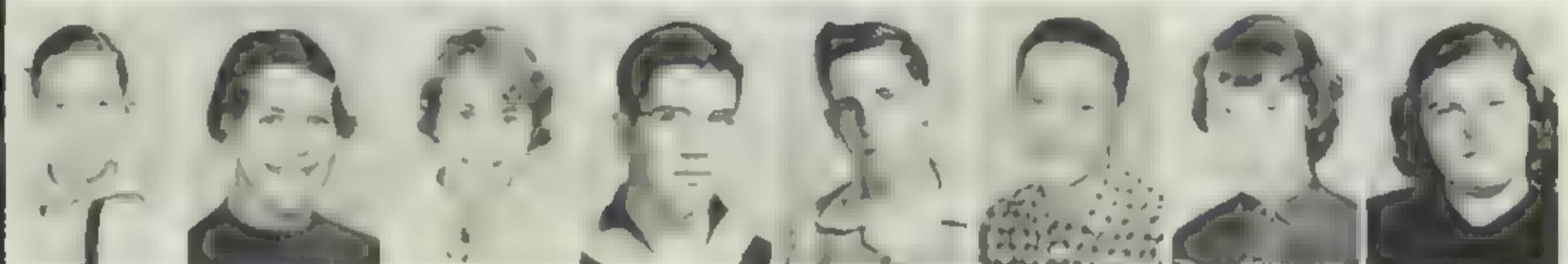
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KRISHAROBERT  
LANE ENBERGMARGARET  
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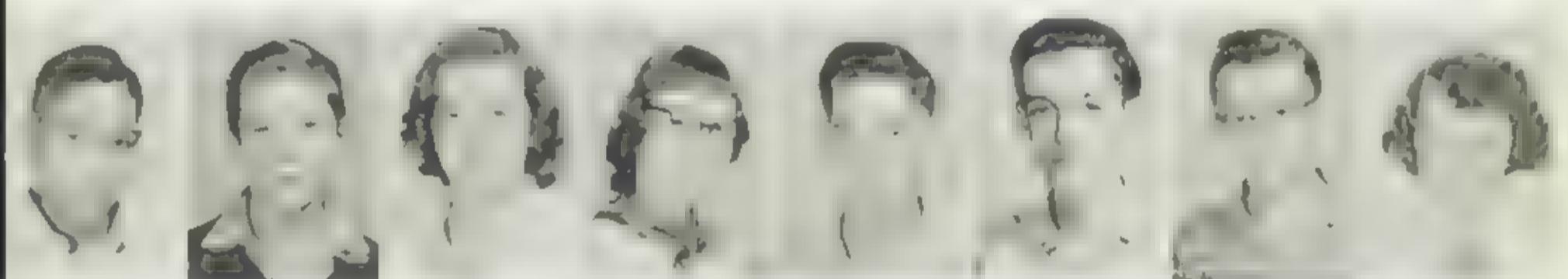
## Freshmen Are Growing Up

LAWANA SWARTZ, Ellen Rickard, Elsie Twitchell, and Carol Croaser were recognized as being grownup enough to represent the school as reserve cheerleaders.

ANNE  
LOWEPAUL  
LUNDJOHN  
MARCUMRAY  
MARETTVELMA  
MARETTGEORGE  
MARSHETHEL  
MARTINWAYNE  
McCoyRONALD  
McCREERYBRUCE  
McCRILLISCAROL  
MILLERMARILYN  
MILLERRICHARD  
MILLERJUDY  
MILLSHERB  
MOSCRIPLYNN  
MUSHETTVIRGINIA  
NASZODIANKAREN  
NIELSENTOM  
OSBORNNORBERT  
PELHAMLARRY  
PLUNKSJOSEPH  
RAVITPENNY  
REES

MIKE  
RICKELLEN  
RICKARDJAMES  
RICKLEYDUANE  
RINGOLFGRETCHEN  
RITCHIEYSHAREE  
ROSCOEJUDY  
RYERSONDAVID  
SCHMITZLERRICHARD  
STILEYPATRICIA  
SEIFERTCOLETTA  
SELLINGERCHARLES  
SERVICERONSON  
SHUPLEYJOHN  
SHORTCLAUDIA  
SHOWERSSONDRA  
SKINNER

Not pictured: Arthur Boyles, Sandra Hanville, Suzanne Smith,  
Lorraine Ferrall, Connie Horford, Shelby Poole, Charles Wheaton.

ALFRED  
SMITHJAMES  
SMITHJUDY  
SMITHELIZABETH  
SMYTHEJERRY  
SPENCERTOM  
STANTONLARRY  
STRICKLINGLAWANA  
SWARTZYVONNE  
TONYTOM  
TUCKERAYRIS  
TYRISLINDA  
UPPERDICK  
VAN HENTENRYCKANDA  
VINSEJOHN  
WALEKLINDA  
WATTSWILLIAM  
WHALEYPETER  
WHITEDAVID  
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WOLFORDSYLVIA  
WOODSIDEPATRICIA  
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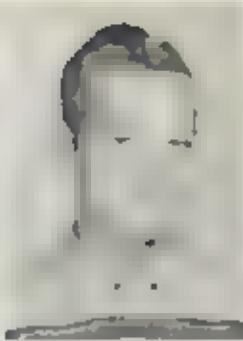
RONALD  
ALLAN



THOMAS  
ALLEN



PAUL  
ASMUS



DONALD  
BARKER



LEE  
BERKLEY



LOIS  
BLACKERT



Alice  
BOWLIN



LORETHA  
BOYD



## Eighth Graders Get Into the Swing of Things

THE officers of the eighth grade lead their class toward future accomplishments in senior high. The eighth grade officers this year were Charles Carpenter, secretary; Linda McLaughlin, vice-president; Barbara Saladin, treasurer; Dale Trautman, president.



JANET  
BRINKER



RUSSELL  
BROOKER



RUTH  
BROWN



CLIFFORD  
BURKETT



JOHN  
BUSH



JIMMY  
CALDWELL



CHARLES  
CARPENTER



LORAINNE  
CARTER



JAMES  
CASE



DONNA  
CHAFFEE



SANDRA  
CHAFFEE



JERRY  
CHRISTOPHER



TOM  
CHURCHILL



TOMMY  
CONNERTON



JOYCE  
CONNER



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VIRGINIA  
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ROBERT  
CUNNINGHAM



KENNY  
DAILEY



JOYCE  
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DEEBLE



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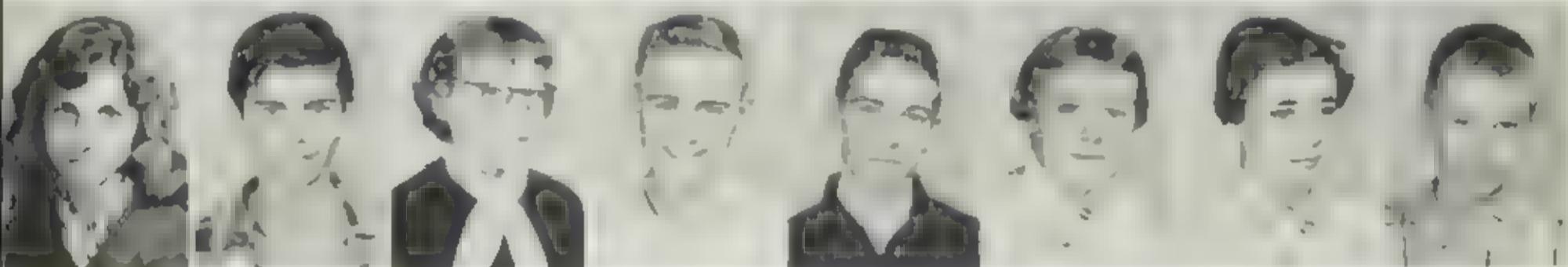
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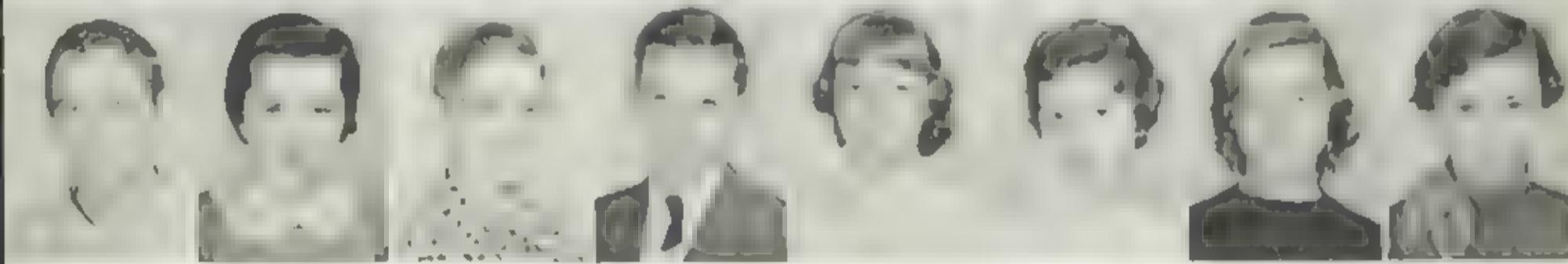
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HART

JANET  
HEASTON

WILLIAM  
HOOD

**P**ROJECTOR Club is a service to the school. Being a member of the Projector Club is giving a service which is continued throughout the school years. A group which ran the projector for the Cole elementary classes this year were: Tom Price, Charles Russakov, Jim Horning, and Tom Allen



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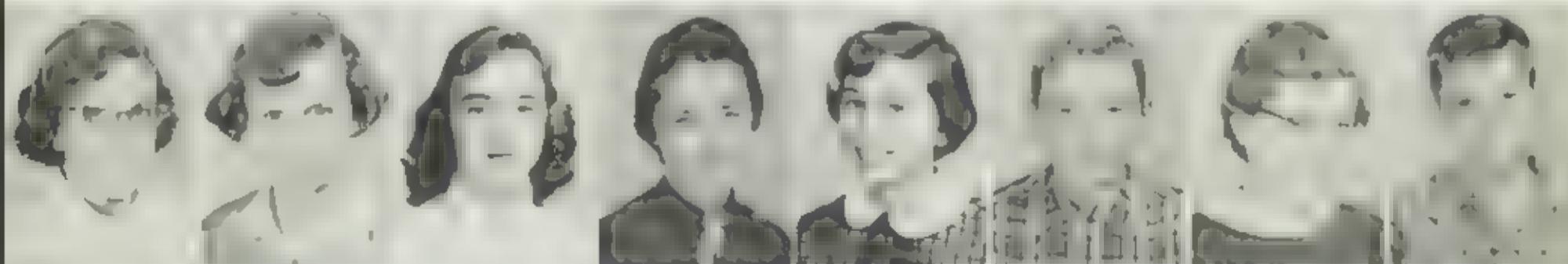
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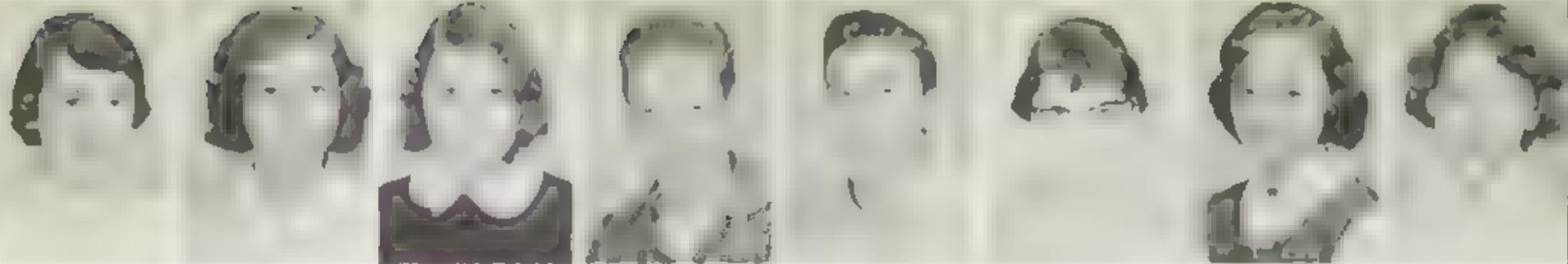
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MARY ELLEN  
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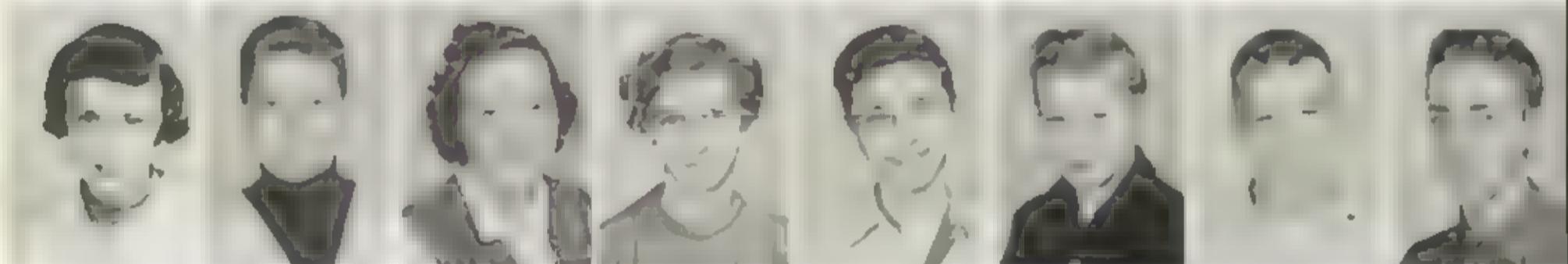
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## Eighth Graders Get Into the Swing of Things

BY using the junior high library, the eighth graders become familiar with the knowledge within it. In the picture to the left, student librarian Dave Sommers issues books to Charles Gelsanliter, Dexter Tebo, and Bonita Pfeiffer.



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NORSWORTHY

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OBLENDER

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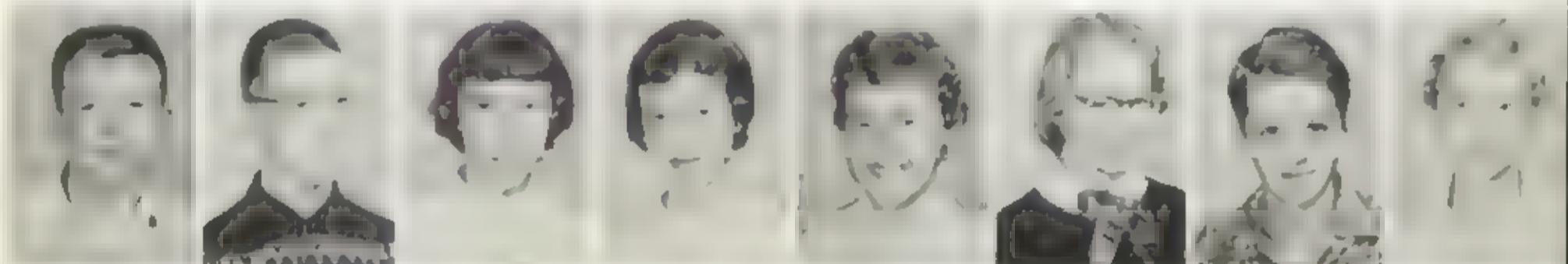
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PLEASNICK

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POTTER

TOM  
PRICE

JOHN  
PRUSINSKI



CHUCK  
ROGERS

CHARLES  
RUSKOV

VIRGINIA  
RUTTER

BARBARA  
SALATIN

JEANNE  
SAWYER

FRANCES  
SERAUSS

TIM  
SCHWAB

KAY  
SCHWAB



DAVID  
SERVICE

TIM  
SHEDDON

SYLVIA  
SHIPLEY

SAMMY  
SHIRY

YVONNE  
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EVELYN  
SMITH

ROBERT  
SNYDER



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SOMMER

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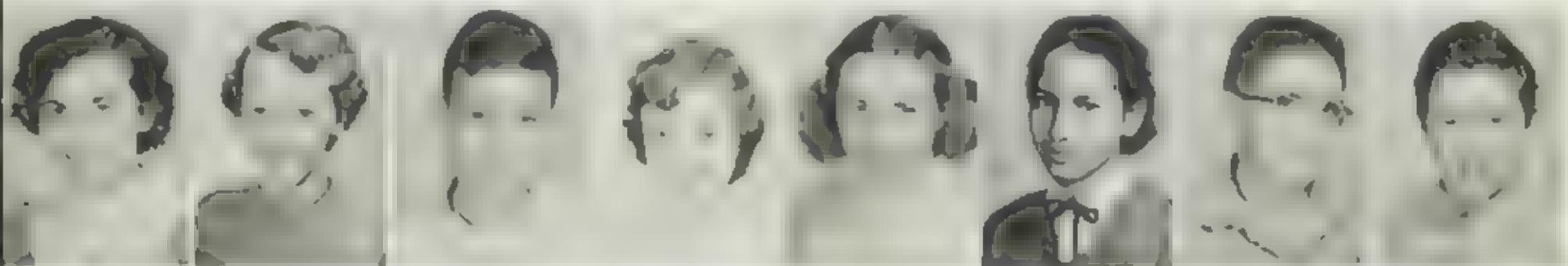
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BRENDA  
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ARCH  
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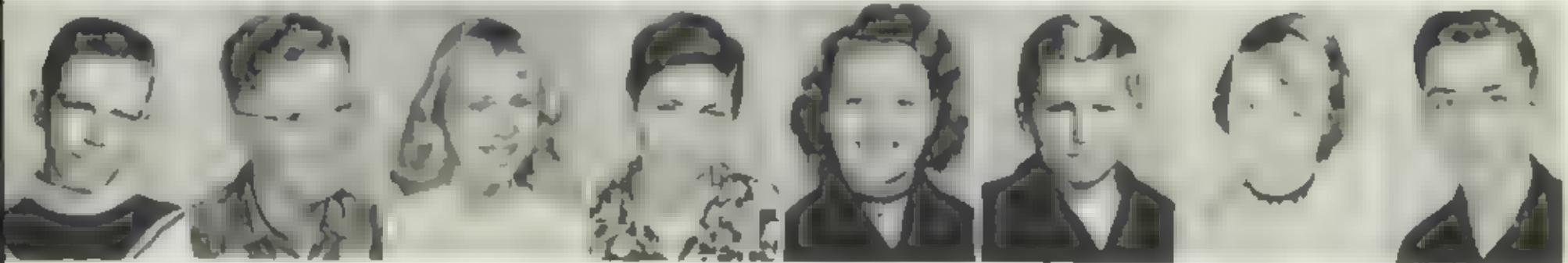
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WARD

**E**I GHTH graders also develop a deeper interest in studies through their individual classes

Through industrial arts, Douglas Kramer, an eighth grader, gains a creative interest



Not pictured: Nancy Singer



RAYMOND  
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STANLEY  
WARE

MARILYN  
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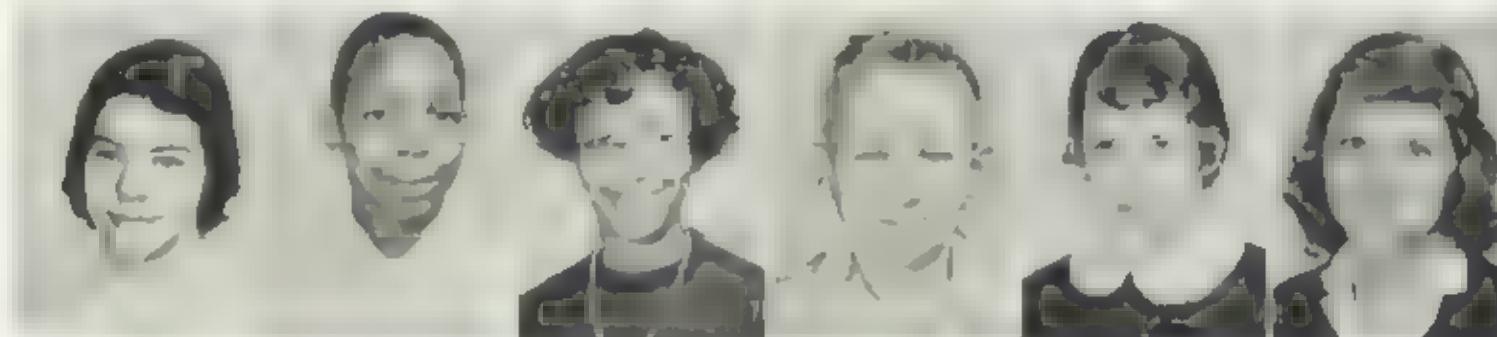
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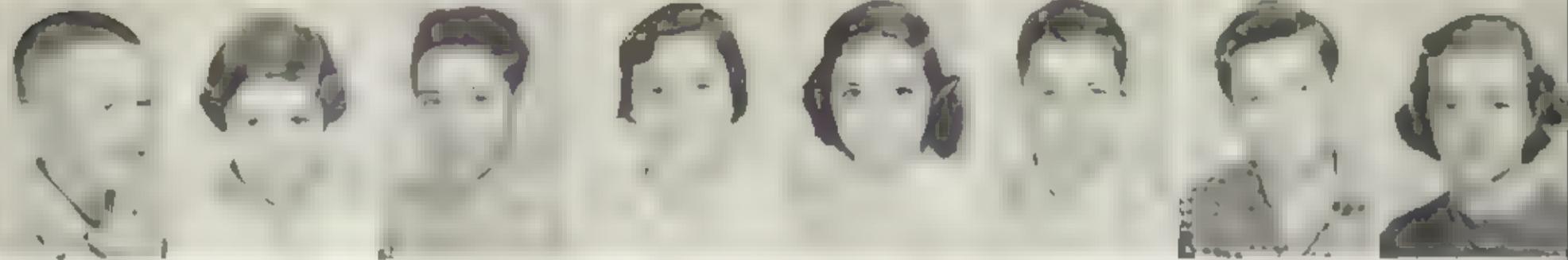
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DELLENE  
WOODS

ROSS  
YOUNG

MALINDA  
ZINK

JANET  
ZURICH



## Seventh Graders Develop New Ideals

UPON beginning their first year in junior high, the students of the seventh grade became aware of their new responsibilities. Cabinet members of seventh grade were: Penny Sanger, secretary; Judy Johnson, vice president; Jeff Laycock, president; David Carpenter, treasurer.



STEPHEN BLISSINGER

PATRICIA BLACKBURN

LUCILLE BOLDING

KAREN BOYD

FRANCIS BRAMEL

CAROL BRAMBLE

GEORGE BRINK

MIKE BURKETT

RENNIE BURNS

SHAWN BURRAS

SHERIEN BUTT

ARCHIE CALDWELL

LATRA CARDMAN

DAVID CARPENTER

AUCIA CHAFFEE

JOHN CLAPP

LARRY COE

RONALD COE

PHYLLIS COLISH

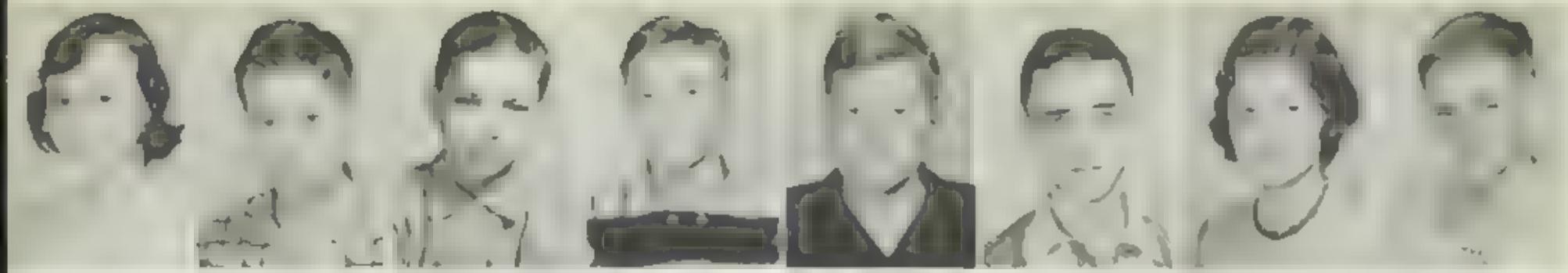
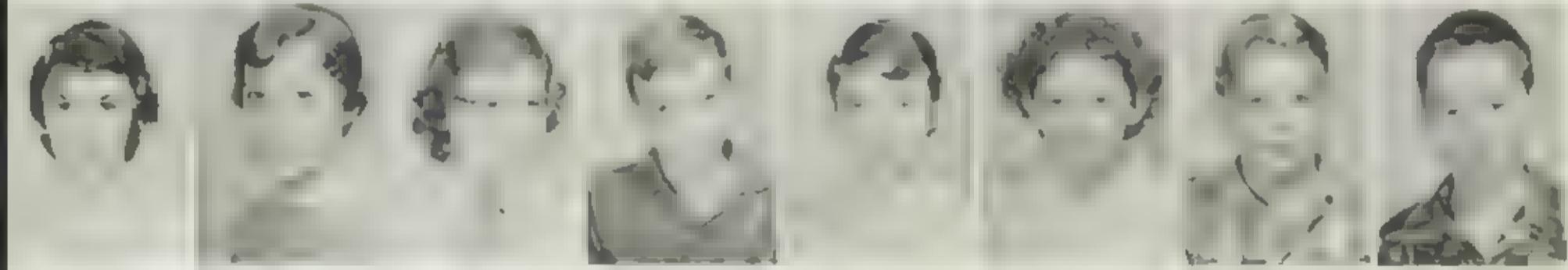
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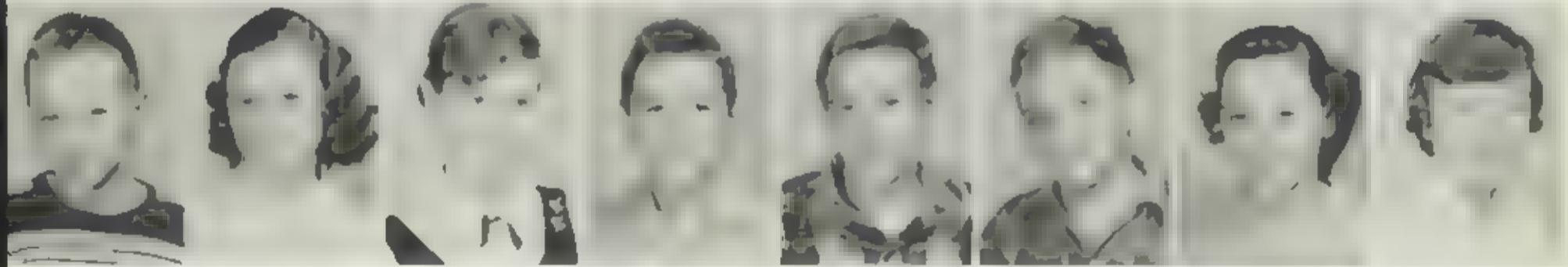
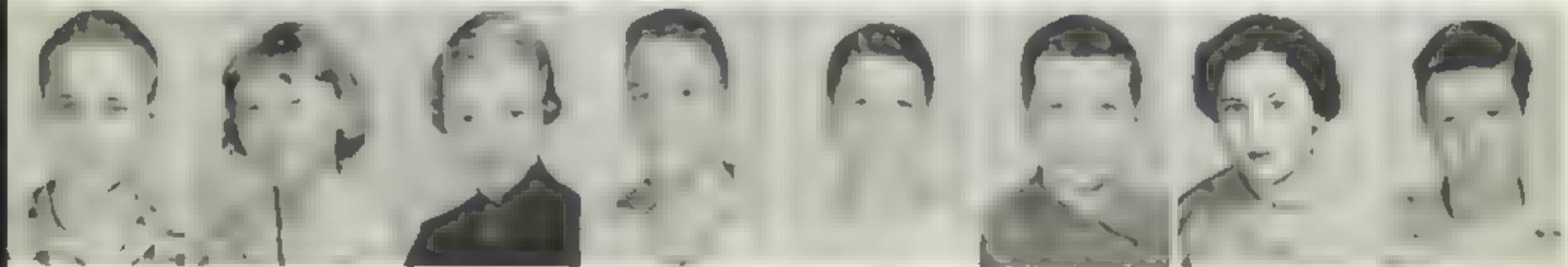
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JUDY DEVENY

JAMES DE ZELLAR

JANICE  
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EBLITVERA  
EMMINGERRUTH  
ERNESTTHOMAS  
FERRINSHARON  
FITHERDIANNE  
FOWLERJANET  
FREEMANGEORGE  
GILBERTUNDA  
GILHOSENLINDA  
HARMONLARRY  
HARTMANTHOMAS  
HINCKLEY

**L**EARNING the more complicated and finer facts of woodworking is essential towards having perfection as sought by Dave Rogers, Jack Ebert, and James De-Zelar, who are busy on individual projects in the picture to the right.

WARREN  
HIXONSANDRA  
HOWEYJUDY  
JOHNSONJOSEPH  
JUSTICEALDIS  
KANGARSWILLIAM  
KILIANCAROL  
KINGJUDY  
KLAUZINDOUGLAS  
KELLOGGPATTY  
KUHLMANKAREN  
LAWRENCEJEFFREY  
LAYCOCKJOHN  
LEVENSGLENN  
MARETTTERRY  
McCULLISLARRY  
MEADE



MARCI  
MCINTYRE



KAREN  
MEAGROW



SALLY  
METZ



DALE  
MEYER



BONNIE  
MEYERS



DONALD  
MILLER



KAY  
MILLER



STANLEY  
MILLS



## Seventh Graders Develop New Ideas

In order to be able to develop the mind, a healthy body is essential and through physical education classes this is best accomplished.

Dick Hanville, Jerry Christopher, Tom Connerton, and Jim Case strive for this goal through wrestling techniques



SUE  
MILLS



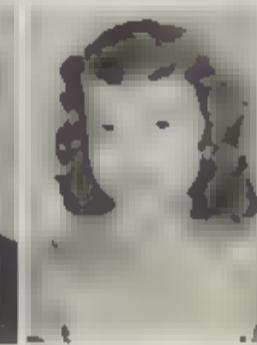
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ERNESTINE  
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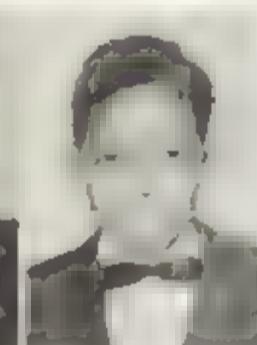
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PERKINS



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FRANKLIN  
RAVIT



JANET  
BEAMER



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RISNER



DENNIS  
ROBBINS



DAVID  
ROGERS



SHIRLEY  
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MELVOLEE  
ROWE



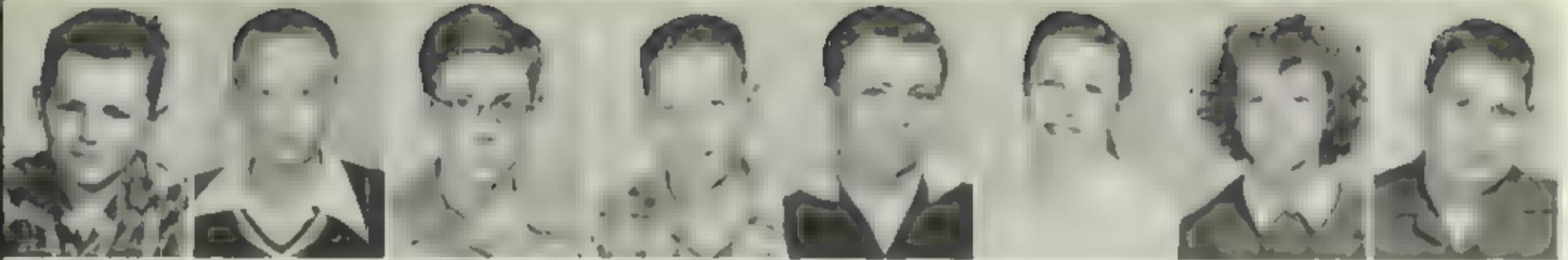
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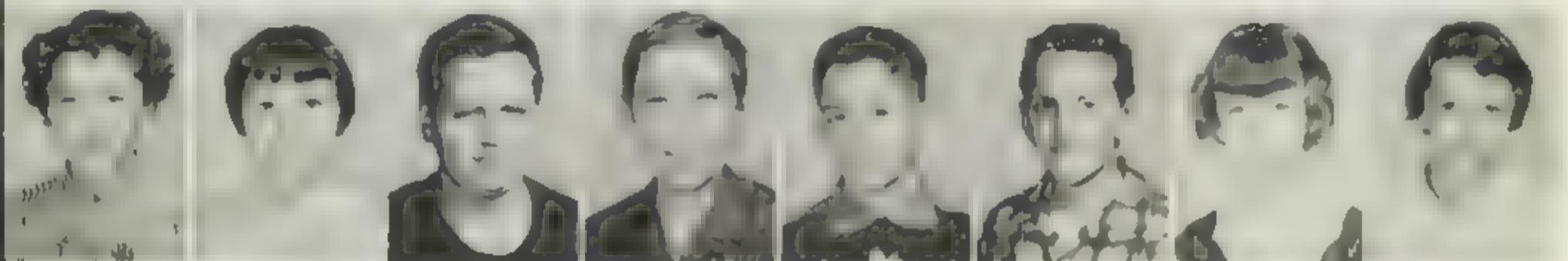
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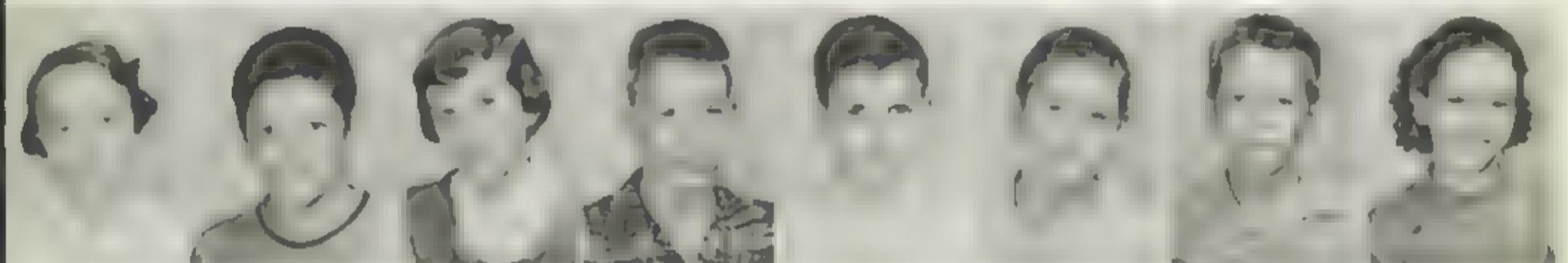


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SCOTT      DAVID  
SIGNS      KENNETH  
SILCOX      PAMELA  
SIMONS      CLEMET LOU  
SMITH      THOMAS  
SMITH



KAREN  
BRANTH      STEPHANIE  
SMITH      JAMES  
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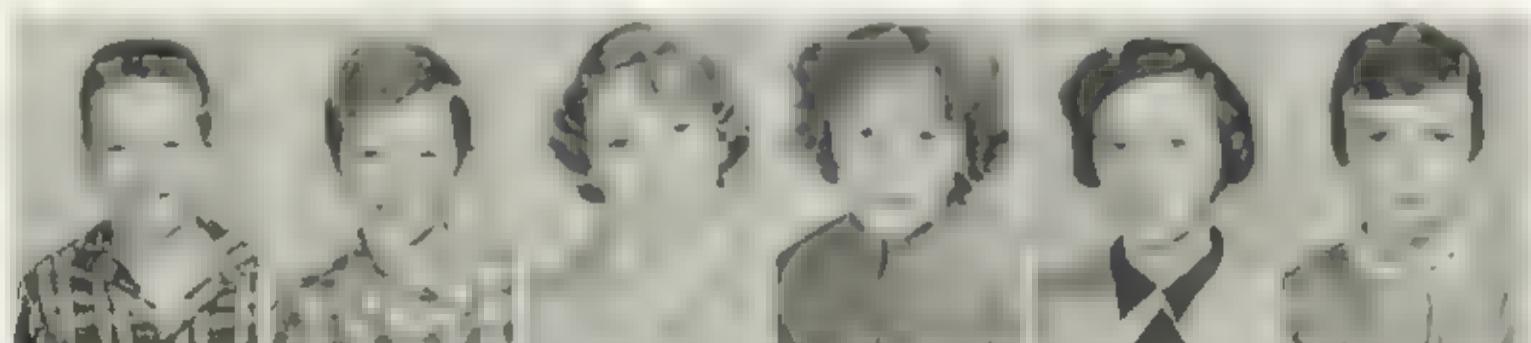
Not pictured: Judy Dann, Jack Fruchtser,  
Tom Signs, Carolyn Strickling.



JANE  
STODDARD      DENNIS  
STOLTZ      JULIA  
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TABER      DEXTER  
TEBO      LEE  
TEBO      GARY  
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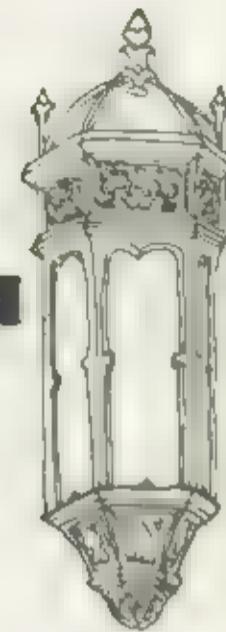


HILARY  
TIMMAN      MARILYN  
TIMMAN      TERRENCE  
TUTCHINGS      JUDY  
UPPER      KAREN  
VON SEGGERN      MARGARET  
VOSNICK      JERRY  
WAGNER      LYNETTE  
WALLS



BRUCE  
WARD      RICHARD  
WARD      JOYCE  
WHITE      SHARON  
WHITE      LENORA  
WOODS      BONITA  
WOODWARD





# Those in the Fight

Norwalk High School boys

gain in sportsmanship,

in experience, and

in friendships with other boys

by participating

in the school's athletic programs.

Everyone in the school gains

enjoyment in watching athletic contests,

and pride in winning.

Boys may choose

to represent their school

in one or more

of the five major sports.



Seated in the Court are Dick Heaston, Martha Motsch, Jim Spashbury, Jackie Helsel, Queen, Ruth Earl, Allen Beach, Sandra Hendrickson, Molly Crossen, Dominic Caprara, and Jim Rogers.

## Ruth Earl Reigns Over Homecoming

**R**UTH EARL, a senior, reigned as Homecoming Queen for 1955, over the Tiffin game, October 14.

Miss Earl's attendants were Molly Crossen, senior, Jackie Helsel and Martha Motsch, juniors.

In a pregame ceremony, Ruth was crowned by Quarterback Allen Beach. After the Truckers' victory of 19-0 over Tiffin, the main ceremony of the evening was held in the high school auditorium, where Miss Earl was officially crowned by last year's queen, Sandra Hendrickson.

After the crowning, Queen Ruth and her escort started the victory dance and were later joined by her attendants and the student body.

Homecoming Queen  
Ruth Earl



Martha Motsch, Jackie Helsel, Queen Ruth Earl, and Molly Crossen preside over the Norwalk-Tiffin game.





Cheering their team to victory are Joanne Earl, Jackie Helsel, Martha Motsch, and Molly Crossen.

## Cheerleaders Spirit The Teams

WITH great enthusiasm the varsity cheerleaders cheered the Truckers through nine football games and nineteen basketball games.

The girls were chosen by popular vote among the students. 1955-56 was the second year of varsity cheering for Joanne Earl and Jackie Helsel, but the first year for Martha Motsch and Molly Crossen.

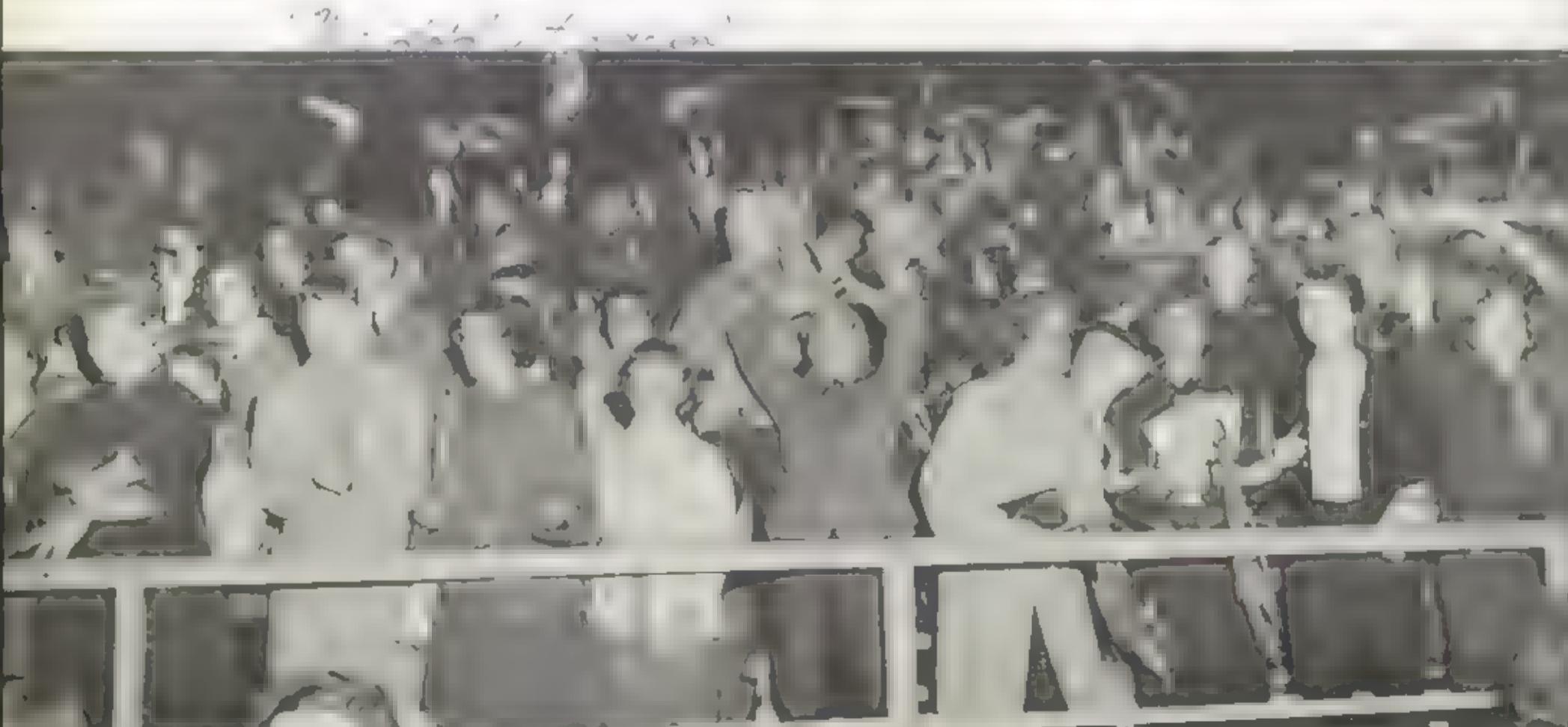
During victory or defeat the cheerleaders never gave up their excellent loyalty to the team.

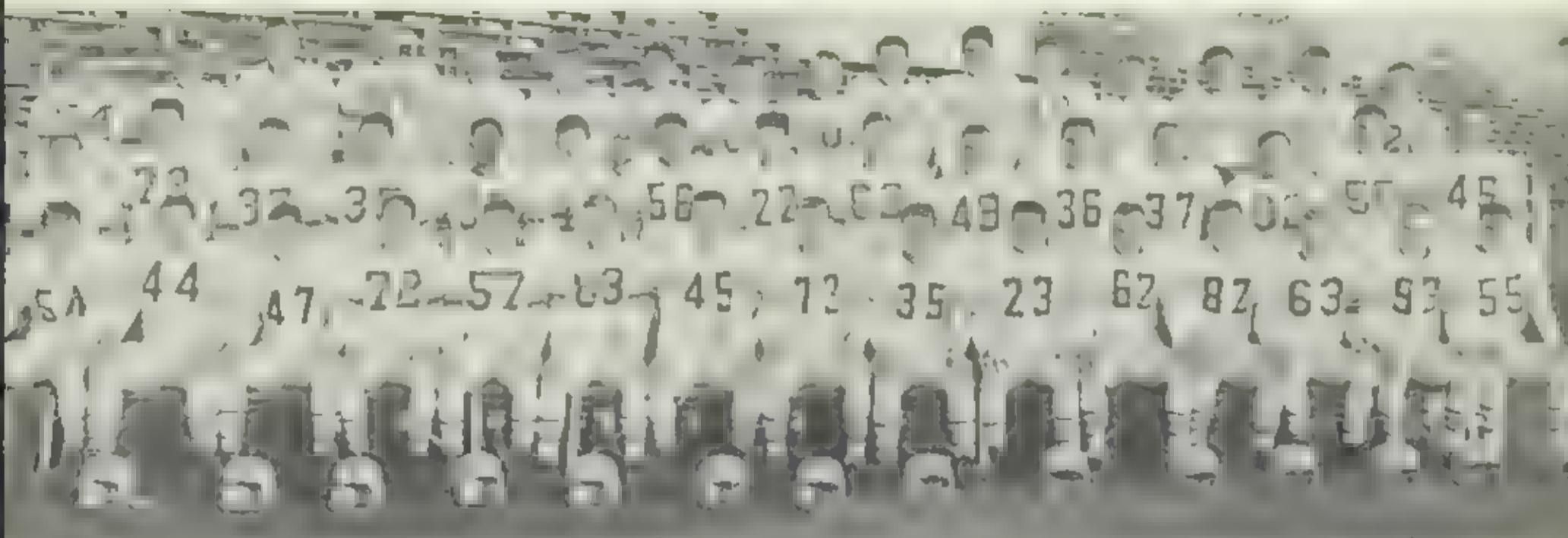
The four reserve cheerleaders were chosen by members of the faculty. These girls led the Jay-V's through seventeen games of basketball with a great fighting spirit.

The girls were also on hand to substitute in rotation in the absence of a varsity cheerleader when necessary.



Leading the Jay-V's to victory are LaWana Swartz, Ellen Rickard, Elsie Twitchell, and Carol Crossen.





FRONT ROW: John Zink, Grant Walls Jr., Skip Howell, Alan Angell, Ronnie Morehouse, Dave Munson, Joe Murray, Ken Miller, Jim Rogers, Donnie Capras, Allen Beach, John Francisco, Jim Spalsbury, Dick Heaston, Dick Paplinski.

SECOND ROW: Jim Ross, Bob Loney, Ed Barker, Dave Sommen, Phillip Oglesby, Alan Leadbetter, Floyd Boyd, Cliff Trautman, Wes Tutchings.

Norb Pelham, Phil May, Don Zurich, Harvey Carrasco, Ernie Kohlmyer, Dave Thomas

THIRD ROW: Jack Knoll, Mike Cronk, Alan Wickert, John Enders, Craig Dieterich, Vern Liedorff, Dick Miller, Pete White, Herb Moesrip, Jerry Emtoms, Bob Fowler, Jerry Wolford, Rickie Metzger, Dale Beach, Chip Hoyl, Mike Rice.

## Truckers Turn In Good Football Record

AUGUST 20 opened the '55 football season for the Truckers, a season which at first looked to be poor but turned out quite successfully. The Wallsmen had the skill but lacked the ambition in the first two weeks of practice. Things took a turn for the better September 9 when, perhaps by the inspiration of Coach Walls and to the disappointment of the Marion fans, the Truckers invaded the Marion Hardy field and broke the home team's pride and sureness with a score of 7-0 in a preview showing.

September 16 again found the Truckers on the road, this time to play a new opponent, Fairview Park. The game went neck and neck for both squads and when the fourth quarter gun went off the score was 12-12.

Spirits were riding high when the Blue and Gold bounced its way to Upper Sandusky on a rainy September 23, only to have Upper take the winning hand, 34-13.

Four thousand fans filled the bleachers at the Truckers' first home game. The odds this time were against the Blue and Gold players as they met the Shelby Whippets. Norwalk was first to hit pay dirt and played a good defense considering the opponents' strength, but Shelby refused to be beaten by a score of 20-6.

Bucyrus, on October 7, saw the Truckers take a defeat, 14-6. At this game again appeared the pre-season lack of ambition and pride.

Homecoming was the magic word shouted over and over again by the coaches. At practice Coach Howard Hersey worked, talked, and encouraged the line to such a point that on October 14 the Wallsmen took the field and smashed Tiffin Columbian, 19-0, in a game that saw the Truckers play rack-up, sack-up offense and defense.

At Bellevue the Truckers took a defeat October 21. The scoreboard showed 21-7 in favor of Bellevue.

"Dig in again, hit that sled, knock that dummy, catch that ball" were the words echoed that week at practice. Spirited again as in the past by a rousing pep talk from Coach Walls, the Big Blue met Galion on October 27 and out-played, out-ran, out-passed, and out-charged the visitors with a score of 27-7.

November 4 brought to town an old rival the Truckers had been waiting to meet. Willard jogged onto the field with confidence. The Truckers took the field and belted the Flashes, 25-6.



Truckers' fans are kept posted through the courtesy of the Hi-Y



# These Eleven



Skip Howell  
Right Tackle

Jim Rogers  
Right Guard

Dominic Capra  
Center

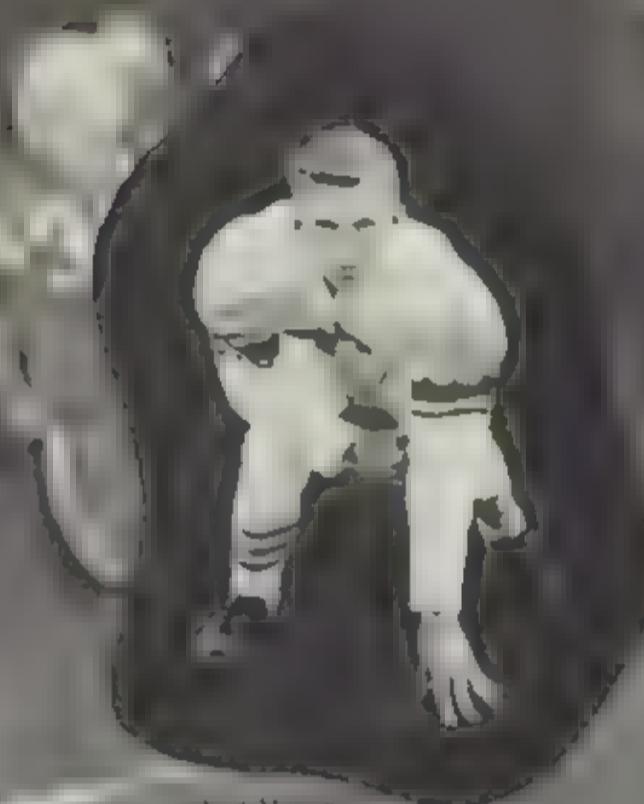
# Start The Game



John Baker  
Guard



Dave O'Brien  
Fullback



Tommy Thompson  
Fullback



Pete May  
Left Guard



Joe Murray  
Left Tackle



Dick Papienski  
Right End



Grant Walls Jr.  
Tackle \*

Dave Thomas  
Tackle \*

Harvey Carrasco  
Halfback \*

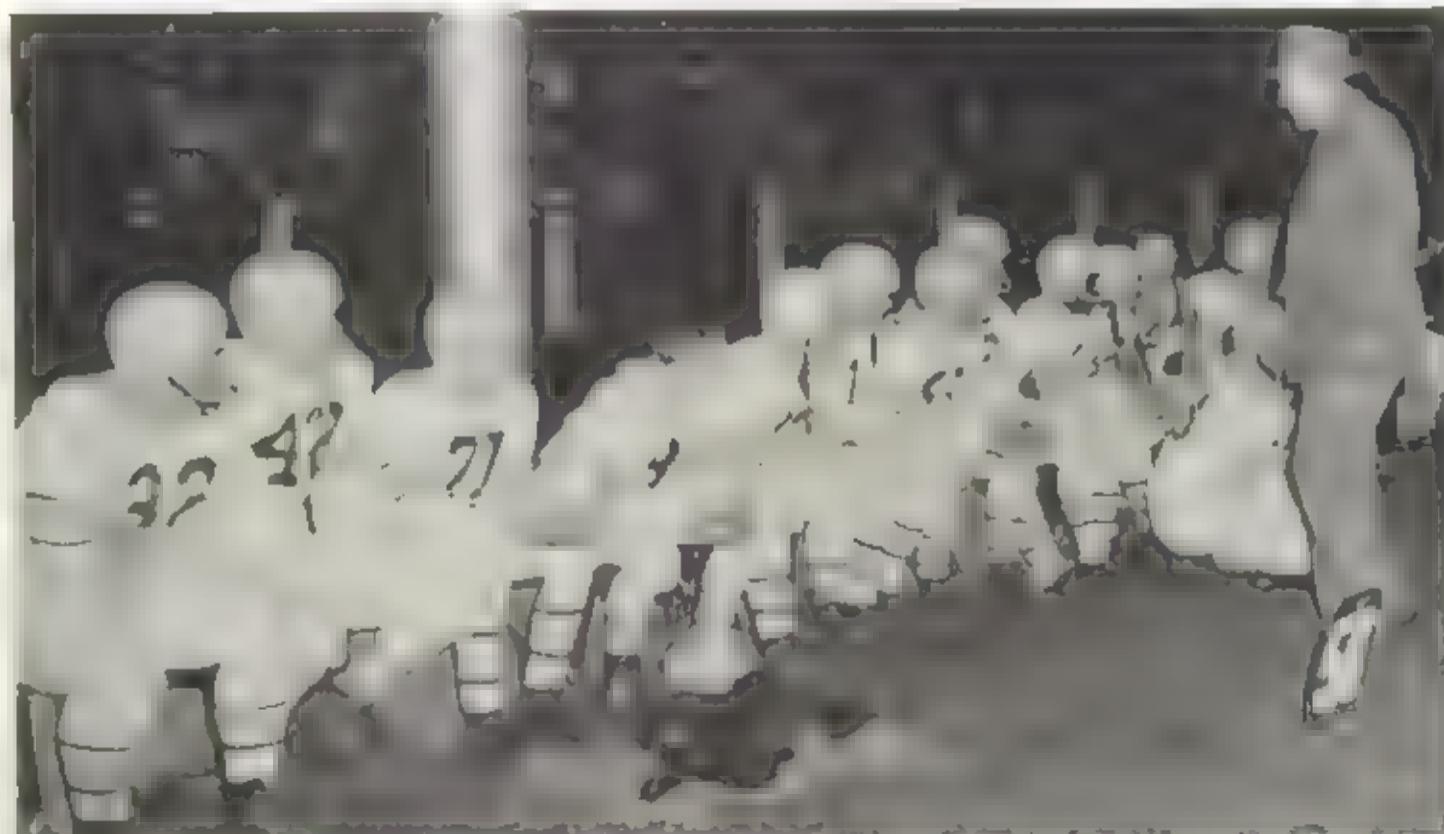
John Zink  
End \*



Quarterback sneak proves successful for first down against Galion.

#### 1955 Football Record

Norwalk	7	Marion	0
Norwalk	12	Fairview	12
Norwalk	13	Upper Sandusky	34
Norwalk	6	Shelby	20
Norwalk	6	Bucyrus	14
Homecoming	14	Tiffin	0
Norwalk	7	Bellevue	21
Norwalk	26	Galion	7
Norwalk	25	Willard	6



Coach Walls looks for re-  
placements to rest starters  
on Truckers' line-up

\* Starting line-up



Floyd Boyd  
End \*

Ernie Kohlmyer  
End \*

Don Zurech  
Guard \*

Cliff Trautman  
Center

Quarterback Allen Beach with combined blocking of team mates digs for the goal against Galion with an outcome of 6-7 favor Blue Devils.



Again as in the past the line buck gains the first down for the Blue & against Tiffin. Final outcome, 14-0, favor Wallsman Blue.



\* Starting line-up



Jim Spalsbury  
Quarterback

Ronald Marchouse  
Guard

Norbert Pelham  
Fullback

Alan Angell  
Quarterback



Assistant Coach Howard Hersey points out error to Head Coach Grant Walts

## Parents' Night Brings Victory

PARENTS' night brought with it good fortune for the Truckers. On October 27 the Wallsmen, after suffering defeat at the hand of Upper, Shelby, Bucyrus, and Bellevue, took the field victoriously by defeating Galion, 26-7, for Norwalk's fourth victory of the season.

Pictured below are Caprara #23, Chaplin #34, Francisco #82, Marchouse #33, and Murray #46.





Dave Sommers



Wesley Tutchings



Allen Leadbetter



Bob Laney

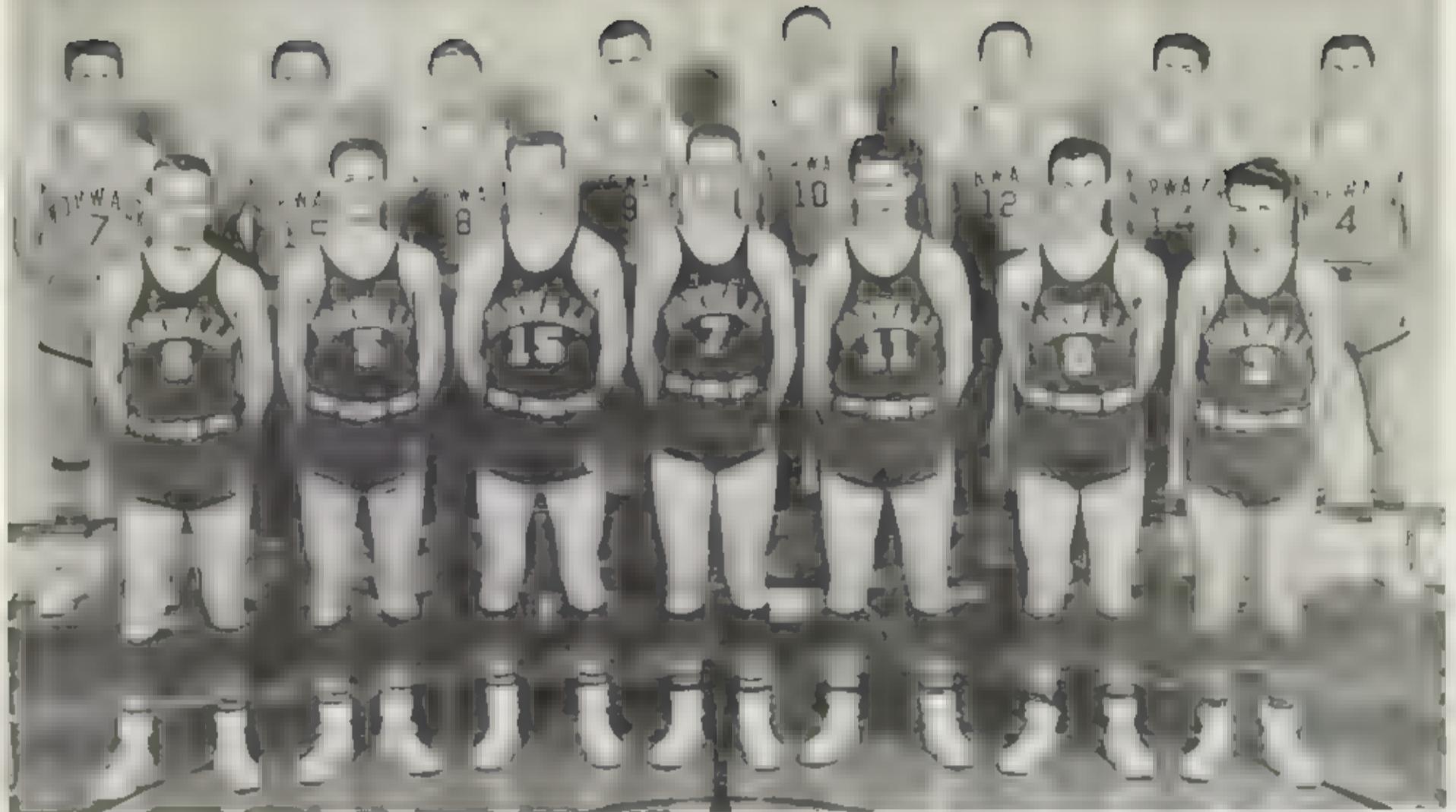
THE Norwalk Junior High football team did very well for itself this year. The squad won two games out of two. Both games were played with Fremont St. Joe's 7th and 8th grade. Norwalk won by 27-7 and 20-7.



FRONT ROW: Ray Thomas, Steve Schilling, Charles Carpenter, Dick Wells, John Crow, Clifford Burkett, Delbert Woods, Stan Ware, Charles Rusakov, Dale Trautman  
SECOND ROW: Joe Pleasnick, Douglas Kramer, Robert Snyder, John Levers, Robert Middaugh, Terry Schaars, Donald Barker, William Killian, Thomas Hinckley, Ray Ware.  
THIRD ROW: Tom Smith, Jim Caldwell, Terry Tutchings, Larry Hartman, Ronald Allian, David Service, Charles Rogers, Marcus Fowler, John Bush.



Truckers line up for a round of belly-bumping the little pigskin before game time.



FRONT ROW Dick Heasron, Alan Angell, Ken Miller, Bud Middaugh, Jim Rogers, Allen Beach, John Schaechterle SECOND ROW Don Zarech, Phil May, Ned Hoelzer, John Francisco, Bob Mitchell, Grant Walls, Jr., Stan Obrenovich, Dick Paplinski

## Truckers End Season With 8-9 Record

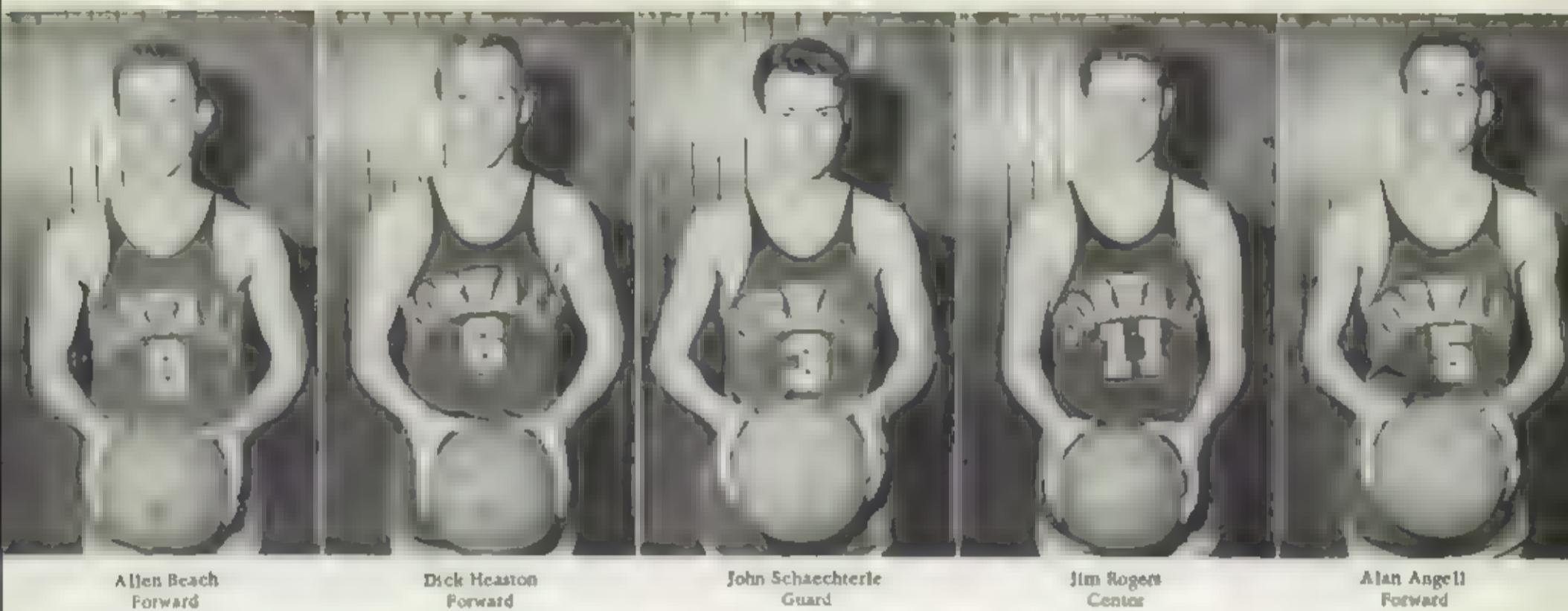
Norwalk	42	Fremont Rose	57
Norwalk	53	Elyria	51
Norwalk	55	Bellevue	57
Norwalk	56	Sandusky	63
Norwalk	60	Clyde	43
Norwalk	61	Sandusky St. Mary's	52
Norwalk	57	Fremont St. Joe's	61
Norwalk	65	Mansfield Madison	61
Norwalk	58	Port Clinton	70
Norwalk	74	Bellevue	60
Norwalk	76	Willard	51
Norwalk	57	Galion	61
Norwalk	55	Shelby	61
Norwalk	49	Akron Kenmore	62
Norwalk	47	Tiffin	66
Norwalk	81	Upper Sandusky	65
Norwalk	62	Bucyrus	58
		Tournament	
Norwalk	67	Willard	48
Norwalk	48	Tiffin	52



The power behind the team is Coaches Howard Heney, Grant Walls, and Ike Owen



Forward Allen Beach of the Truckers (#8) makes his bid for two more points against Sandusky.



Allen Beach  
Forward

Dick Heaston  
Forward

John Schaechterle  
Guard

Jim Rogers  
Center

Alan Angel  
Forward

## Team Goes to Tournament Semi-finals

THE Norwalk Truckers coached by Mr. Grant Walls concluded their season with a record of 8 wins and 9 losses. High point man for the year was Dick Heaston scoring 32 points against Upper Sandusky.

The season opened on December 2 when the Wallsmen met Fremont Ross on their own floor and suffered the first loss of the season, 57-42. On December 9 in a game packed with thrills the Truckers took their first victory against Elyria, 51-53.

The following week on December 16 the traditional rivals came to town. Two points made the difference. Bellevue defeated the Blue and Gold, 57-55. The next day Sandusky, in a game which ran overtime, also took the glory by a score, 63-56.

Starting the holidays right, the Truckers visited and crushed Clyde 60-43, on December 20. Three days later Sandusky St. Mary's also fell prey to the Truckers, 61-52. But on December 28 the Truckers' two game victory streak was crippled by Fremont St. Joe's with the score, 57-61.

Mansfield Madison found the Truckers determined to take their fourth victory on December 30, 65-61. Port Clinton 70, Norwalk 58 was the outcome of a contest held January 6.

On January 13 Norwalk traveled to Bellevue for a league game. Coach Walls taught his men to be ready and sent them onto the floor to defeat the Redmen, 74-60, making up for the loss earlier in the season. The Truckers' victories seemed to come in pairs. On January 20 Willard lost the game, 76-51. However, January 27 Galion came to town with blood hungry ambitions and left with a victory, 61-57.

Shelby on February 3 also proved to be unlucky for the Truckers. The potential powerhouse of the Northern Ohio League downed Norwalk, 61-55. Akron Kenmore defeated the Truckers, 49-62, the following night.

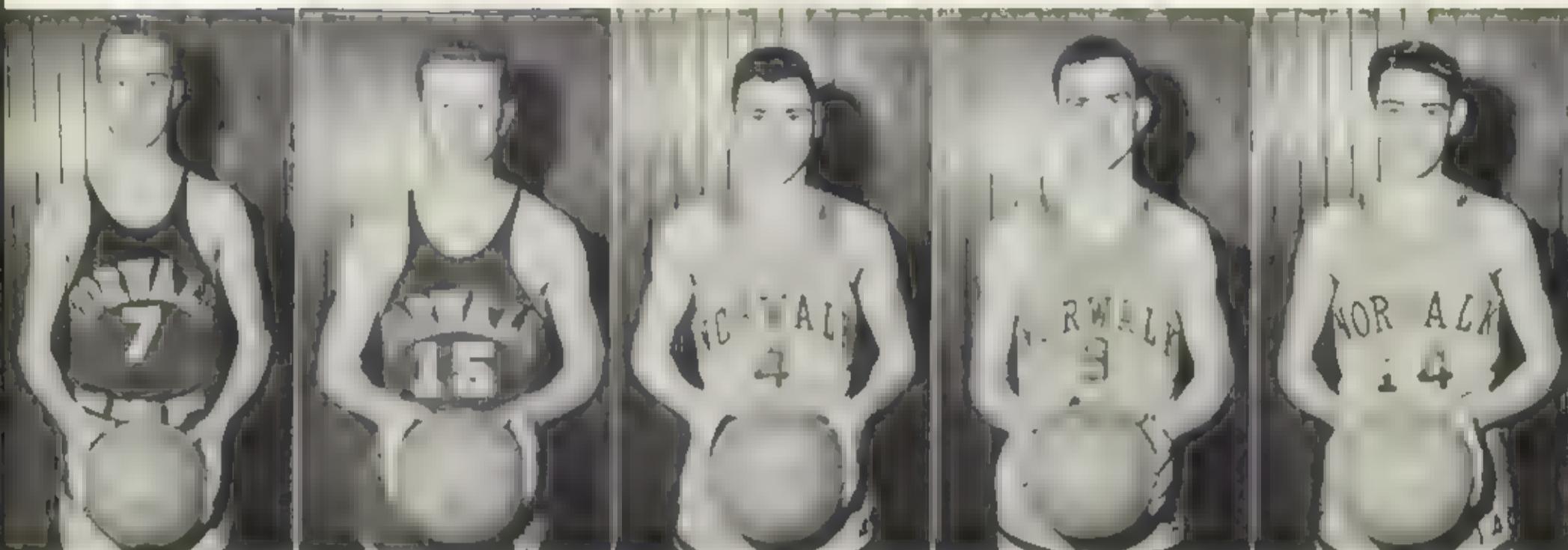
The Wallsmen met Tiffin February 10 on the Tiffin floor and returned home defeated, 47-66. But on February 17 the tones of victory rang out as Hot Shot Forward Dick Heaston poured in 32 points against Upper Sandusky. Heaston's team mates added 49 points to that and Upper went home finding themselves out-shot, out-played, and defeated, 81-65.

Again good things came in pairs. On February 21, in what Coach Walls stated to be the game best backed by the Truckers' fans, the Blue and Gold found victory against Bucyrus, 62-58. This game concluded the season.

In the tournament held in Sandusky the Truckers defeated Willard, 67-48, February 24 but fell to Tiffin, 52-48, March 2.



Rogers shoots in the Elyria game.



Forest Middaugh  
Guard

Ker Millet  
Forward

Dick Paplinska  
Guard

John Francisco  
Guard

Stan Sorenovich  
Forward



Mitchell waits for the reb. and as Rogers prepares for the fast break against Bucyrus

#### PERCENTAGE OF GOALS MADE

Heaston	39%
Beach	32%
Rogers	36%
Middaugh	26%
Schaechterle	34%

Heaston drops one in the bucket as Rogers stands by



Beach, Rogers, and Heaston wait to retrieve the ball.





Grant Walls  
Center

Ned Hoelzer  
Guard

Don Zurech  
Forward

Paul May  
Guard

Bob Mitchell  
Forward

#### PERCENTAGE OF GOALS MADE

Obrenovich	80%
Mitchell	30%
Angell	30%
Francisco	20%
Miller	21%

Rogers scores against Galion.



Rogers takes a free throw  
Heston Beach and Angell wait for the outcome

Beach defies three Galion players  
and shoots for the basket





Truckers warm up before game time.



Beach, Rogers, Schaechterle, and Heaston wait for the rebound against Galion.



Beach tries to stop Heaston's shot.

## Heaston High Man

HIGH POINT man for the Truckers this season was Dick Heaston with 333 points. John Schaechterle was second with 207 points. Jim Rogers scored third with 180 points.



Rogers, Beach, Schaechterle, and Heaston look on as unknown Truckers score.



Truckers cut loose against Galion.



Mitchell, Beach, and Schaechterle in light colors wait for the outcome



Heaston fires against Galion. Beach and Rogers wait for the rebound if necessary.

## Two Win All-League Berths

DICK HEASTON was named to the Northern Ohio League's first team, while John Schaechterle landed a second team berth in the all-league cage selections made by the Toledo Blade.

Both Dick and John were the shortest boys chosen on their respective teams. Dick is 5 ft. 11 in., and John is 5 ft. 10 in.

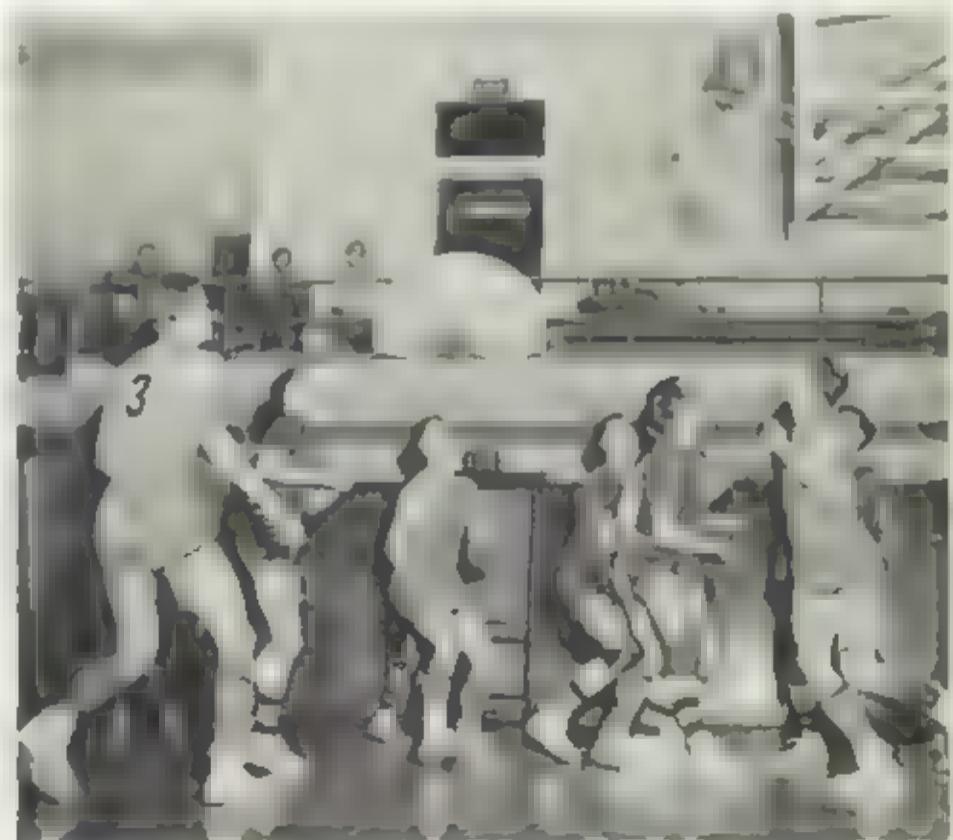
On the all-star NOL team selected by league newswriters Heaston was named to the second team and Schaechterle received honorable mention.



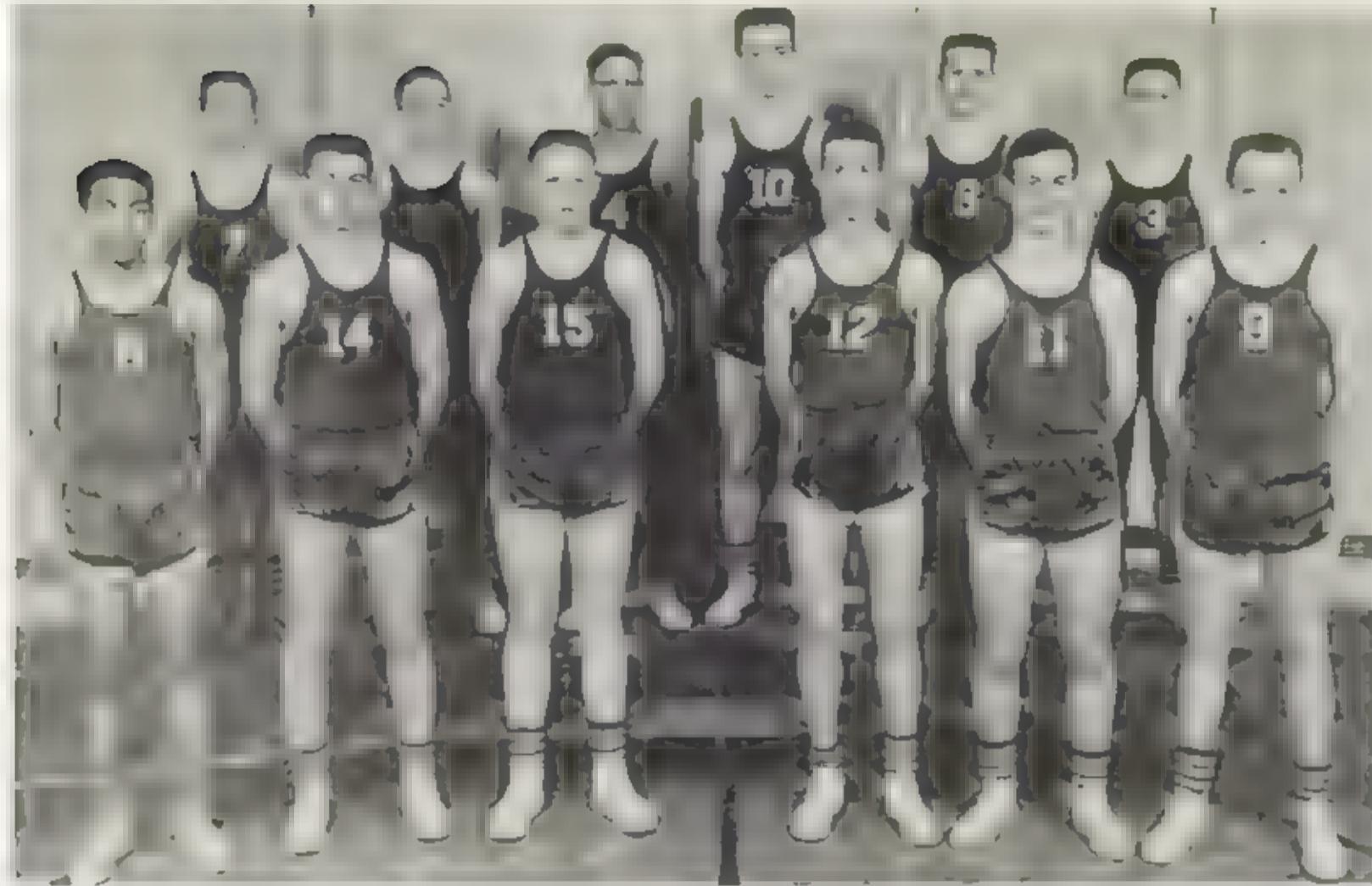
Managers Tom Timman, Noel Kaech, and Lerry Hartcock are loyal boosters.



Bucyrus makes it good as Heaston and Rogers prepare to carry the ball to their own basket.



It's the Trickery basket all the way as Heaston, Rogers, and Schaechterle take a last look.



FRONT ROW: Floyd Boyd, Ernie Kohlmyer, Dave Thomas, John Enders, Tom Westrick, Tom Hutton. SECOND ROW: Wendell Robinson, Jim Ross, Irvin Ogleby, Dave Sitterly, Eddie Baker, Paul Nease.

J-V's Hutton, Westrick, and Thomas stand by as the ball sails



## Reserves Suffer Many Losses

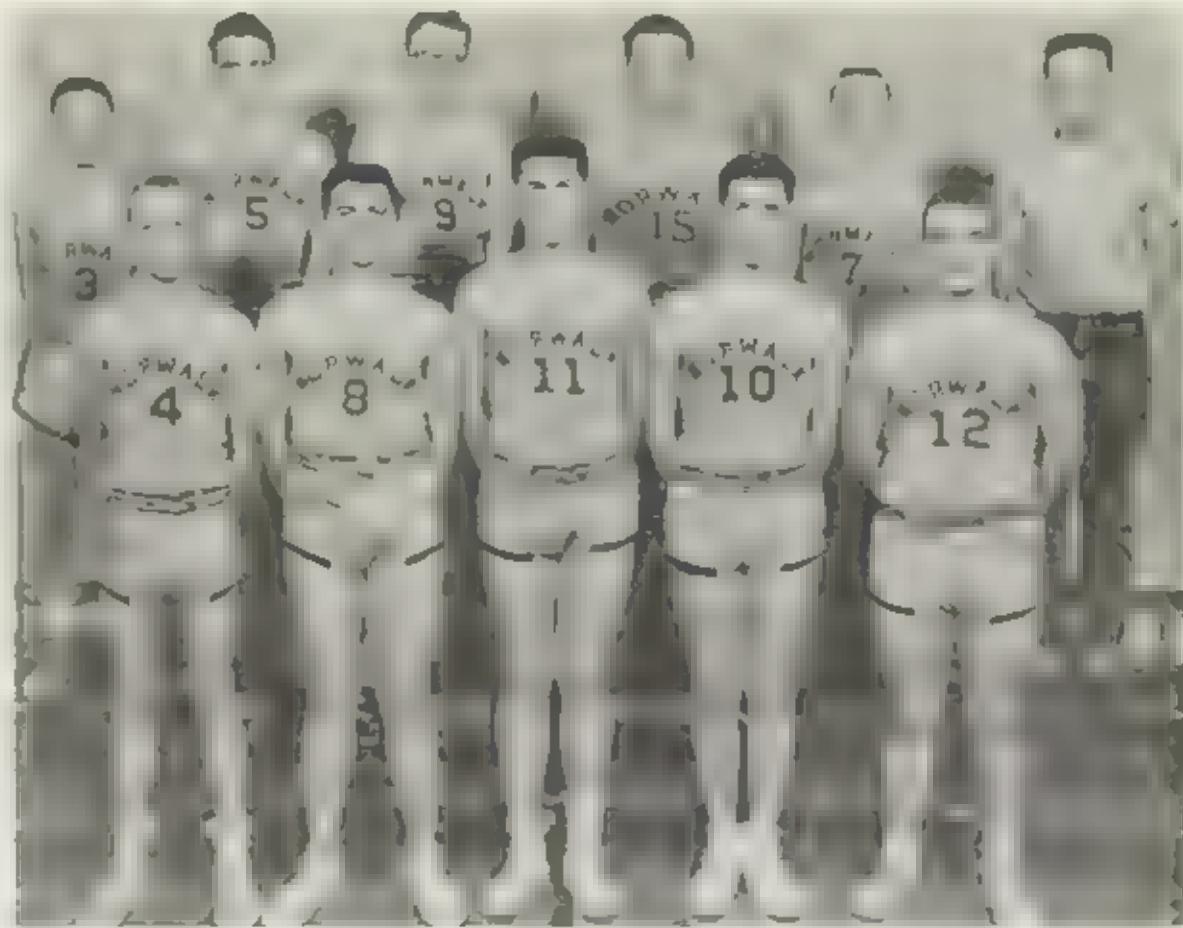
THE Norwalk J-V's suffered a poor season with 3 wins and 14 losses. The Reserves are coached by Ike Owen, who took charge in 1953. Since then he has been doing a fine job in training future varsity players. Playing for the Reserves helps boys to gain the skill required of an expert varsity man. Hard work and long hours of practice are the key words of their motto.

RESERVE RECORD		
Norwalk	33	Fremont
" "	43	Elvria
"	35	Bellevue
	36	Sandusky
	29	Clyde
	48	St. Mary's
	51	Fre. St. Joe's
	43	Madison
	32	Pott Clinton
	48	Bellevue
	43	Willard
	39	Galion
	39	Shelby
	38	Akron Ken.
	30	Tiffin
	33	Upper
	38	Bucyrus
		42
		52

## Freshmen Make Good Try

THE freshman team, although it lost three out of seven games, had a very successful season in that the players have gained valuable experience.

The freshmen will be next year's reserves and through previous experience they should be in top performance, for perfection is gained by experience.

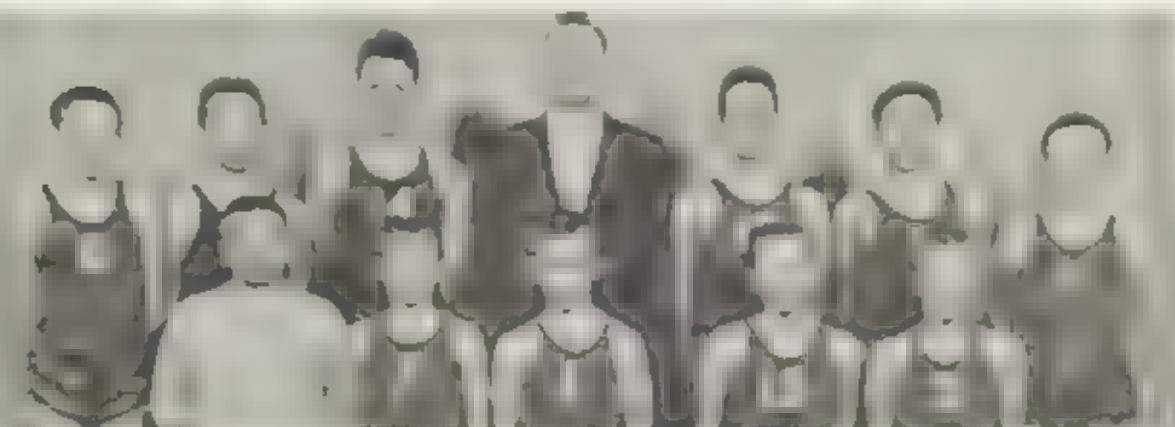


FRONT ROW: Craig Dieterich, Dale Beach, Bob Fowler, Charles Service, Norb Petham.  
SECOND ROW: Duane Ringle, Dave Williams, Bob Dieterich, Jerry Emmora, Mike Rice, George DeZelaar.

## 7th Graders Successful; 8th Not So



FRONT ROW: Bill Killian, Kenneth Dally, Delbert Woods, Chuck Rogers, Tom Price.  
SECOND ROW: Marcus Fowler, Tom Connerton, Chuck Rumakov, Coach Harry Shadle, Charles Carpenter, Robert Middaugh, Ronald Allan.



FRONT ROW: William Killian, Bruce Ward, Dave Carpenter, John Cross, Steve Schilling.  
SECOND ROW: Al Kangers, Tom Hinckley, Dave Culver, Coach Harry Shadle, Jeff Laycock, Mike Burkett, Dave Adelman.

THE Norwalk Junior High basketball season was a very successful one, especially for the seventh grade. They won eight and lost none.

The eighth grade had a poor season by winning three and losing seven.

However, both teams played a rough schedule. Coach Harry Shadle is looking forward to a good season next year.

### Eighth Grade

Norwalk	44	Townsend	21
Norwalk	14	Townsend	31
Norwalk	31	Willard	29
Norwalk	15	Willard	29
Norwalk	29	Milan	34
Norwalk	25	Milan	36
Norwalk	25	Bellevue	28
Norwalk	20	Bellevue	29
Norwalk	36	Berlin Heights	28
Norwalk	27	Berlin Heights	45

### Seventh Grade

Norwalk	44	Townsend	8
Norwalk	52	Townsend	31
Norwalk	22	Milan	14
Norwalk	29	Milan	11
Norwalk	24	Bellevue	12
Norwalk	25	Bellevue	20
Norwalk	27	Berlin Heights	12
Norwalk	29	Berlin Heights	20



FRONT ROW: D. Linton, G. B. Meehan, R. Evans, G. T. Smith, J. Zink, K. Miller, D. Munson, C. Walls, B. Mudday, J. Corlech, B. Ommer.

SECOND ROW: L. Musheff, D. Van Hentenryck, P. Oglesby, B. Moore, D. Vogt, E. Kohlmyer, A. Beach, D. Sinerly, T. Hutton, N. Hoelzer, J. Phillips, E. Goodrich, J. Knoll, H. Carrasco, J. Ross, Assistant Coach Howard Hershey

BACK ROW: Head Coach Mr. Isaiah Owen, Asst. Coach Mr. Howard Hershey, D. Linton, W. Lumbang, D. Thomas, C. Service, N. Miller, B. Fowler, J. Emmons, T. Tucker, N. Petham, V. Liedoff, D. Ringle.

## Cinder Dogs Complete Season

THE ending of basketball season brought about the opening of spring sports. March 21 opened the 1956 track season. This year's squad was composed of 35 athletes, most of whom were veterans from previous years.

Lettermen who returned this year were Ken Miller, senior, who in 1955 tied the 200-yd. dash record which was held by R. Taylor in 1930. The time was 23.5, which still stands as Norwalk High School's record time.

Dave Munson, also a senior letterman, returned. His specialty was the high hurdles. In the half mile Ted Smith, senior, and Phil Oglesby, junior, returned. The 440 was again represented by John Zink, junior letterman. Stan Chapin was the senior shot put event entry. Pole vaulting event was competed in by Allen Beach, another senior letterman.

The season officially opened April 12 when the Truckers took on Berlin Heights and Townsend-Wakeman.

On April 19 the Wallsmen played host to Mansfield Madison.

April 26 found the Truckers traveling to meet Bucyrus and Galion. May 3 Tiffin Columbian came to visit the Norwalk Blue and Gold. The NOL meet was held at Tiffin on May 8.

The District Meet was held on May 19 at Mansfield.

The track team was coached by Mr. Isaiah Owen, assisted by Mr. Howard Hershey in the field events.



Beach takes a running start for the pole vault event.



Houston, Zink, and Miller wait for the starting gun.

Smith, Knoll, and Hoelzer battle it out for first place.



Mitchell prepares to cut loose with the discus.

Minor takes the high hurdles

Walls perfect his shot put for u.

#### 1956 TENNIS SCHEDULE

April 18	Sandusky	Away
April 23	Fremont	Away
April 25	Bellevue	Away
April 30	Margareta	Away
May 2	Huron	Home
May 7	Fremont	Home
May 9	Bellevue	Home
May 10	Upper Sandusky	Away
May 14	Margareta	Home
May 16	Huron	Away
May 18-19	District Tournament	
	Bowling Green State	
May 22	Upper Sandusky	Home

#### Veterans Spark Tennis Team

COACHED by Mr. Harry Shadle, the tennis team consisted of nearly all veterans. Sporting a 4-3 record from the previous year, the team looked very impressive this year. Alan Angell, senior, played first man on the team. He was followed by Jim Rogers, Dick Heaston, John Schaechterle, Allen Beach, seniors, and Mike Cook, junior. Newcomers to the team this year were Charles Cook and Craig Dieterich, freshmen.



Coach Harry Shadle, Mike Cook, Dick Heaston, Alan Beach, Jim Rogers, Alan Angell, Craig Dieterich, Charles Cook  
(Not pictured: John Schaechterle)





# Golden Deeds of Right

The more social aspects  
of school life  
play an important part  
in school life  
  
Students serve their school and community  
through their service clubs,  
musical and other organizations  
  
Almost every student finds  
something to interest him  
in one of the eight clubs,  
the band, the orchestra, the chorus  
or in the drama group.



National Honor Society members (first row) Janna Lou Stutenburg, Doris Worcester, Martha McDonald, Dominic Caprara, Patricia Sengler, Alice Valentine Shantz (second row) George Diehl, David Munson, James Rogers, Stanley Chapin, Alan Angell, Alan Robinson, Grant Walls, Wesley Tutchings, Richard Heaston, and Jacquelyn Hebel.

## Seventeen Students Receive Top Honors

**SCHOLARSHIP**, leadership, character, and service are the qualifications for membership in the National Honor Society. A small group of students are honored each year by election to this society. To be eligible, a student must be in the upper twenty-five per cent of his class. Out of this group, fifteen per cent of the senior class and five per cent of junior class are elected. The election is by a secret ballot of the faculty and the results are announced by the society's advisor, Miss Ruth Bell.

### Two year members

**ALAN SCOTT ANGELL JR.** has been in four Junior-Senior plays. He was sergeant at arms of the Hi-Y and sang tenor in the high school chorus. He participated in tennis and football and earned a letter in basketball.

**DOMINIC MICHAEL CAPRARA**, senior class president, was one of the representatives to Boys' State in his junior year. He was on the journalism staff for two years and did most of this year's photography.

**MARY MARTHA McDONALD** was president of the largest Y-Teen club in the school's history. She was a reporter on this year's Signal staff. Scholastically, she was among the top in her class.

**ALAN GRANT ROBINSON** has consistently ranked as one of the highest in his class. In his senior year he was president of the Student Council and winner of the Jaycee's local "I Speak for Democracy" contest. He participated in four Junior-Senior plays and co-starred in a radio disc jockey program.

**PATRICIA ANN SELLINGER** was co-editor of this year's newspaper. Pat ranked among the top students of her class scholastically. She is a talented artist and devoted a great deal of her time and artistic efforts to all kinds of projects around school.

### Newly elected seniors

**STANLEY RAYMOND CHAPIN** showed his leadership characteristics by leading the Hi-Y club, as president, in a very successful year. He was also vice-president of the senior class and earned three football letters and one track letter.

**RICHARD MORRIS HEASTON** was one of the top athletes in his class. He earned three letters in football and basketball and one in tennis. Besides being the business manager of the school paper he served as vice-president of the Hi-Y and as a member of the Student Council. He appeared in several of the play productions.

**DAVID GAIL MUNSON** participated in both football and track. He earned one football letter and one track letter. He was Hi-Y

president in his junior year and a member of the Junior-Senior fall play cast in his senior year. He also sang in the chorus. **JAMES WILSON ROGERS** was very active in high school sports. He has three tennis letters to his credit besides two in basketball and two in football. In his senior year he was in both of the Junior-Senior plays and participated in several speech class assemblies.

**ALICE VALENTINE SHANTZ**, having had two years of experience on the journalism staff, co-edited the newspaper. She was busy taking care of class funds as the senior class treasurer and was active in sports serving as president of the GAA. Alice was in the cast of this year's Junior-Senior fall play.

**JANNA LOU STOUTENBURG** was a member of this year's Signal staff. An outstanding art student, she did the art work for this year's annual. She was treasurer of her class in her junior year.

**DORIS IRENE WORCESTER** was one of Norwalk's delegates to Girls' State in her junior year. Doris was both secretary of the senior class and a senior representative to the Student Council.

### Newly elected juniors

**GEORGE WILLIAM DIEHL** is thought of wherever music is concerned at Norwalk High. He has played in the marching band for four and one half years, the orchestra for four years, and the German band for three. He excels in playing the piano, the trumpet, and the cello.

**MARJORIE ALICE FOX** was one of the two juniors on this year's Signal staff. She was a member of the GAA and played guard on Michigan's team. She served as a Y-Teen officer and appeared in the cast of both of this year's Junior-Senior plays.

**JACQUELYN ANN HELSEL** has been president of her class for two years and a member of the Student Council for three years. This year she was vice-president of the Y-Teens and a member of the journalism staff. She has had the honor of being a varsity cheerleader since her sophomore year.

**WESLEY PAUL TUTCHINGS** plans on a career in the teaching profession. He was president of the FTA. He has been elected as next year's Hi-Y president. Wesley plays the viola and the saxophone in the school's musical organizations.

**GRANT WALKER WALLS JR.** was one of the junior class representatives to the Student Council. He is also active in school athletics. He has earned two football letters and one basketball letter.



SEATED: Barbara Dinterget, Jackie Heisel, Alan Robinson, Dick Hearst, Doris Worcester. STANDING: Bonita Grinold, Ed Barker, Grant Walls Jr., Pete White, Stuart Rubinow, Paul Nease, Homer Stahl, Mr. James Ross.

## Student Leaders Compose the Council

A PROGRESSIVE Student Council started the ball rolling early this year with its donation of \$500 to the scoreboard fund.

Another of its services to the school was the stationing of hall monitors to greet and aid visitors to Norwalk High.

An extra touch of school spirit was added when the Student Council took action making every Friday 'Letter Day'. This gives everyone who has earned any kind of letter a chance to wear it with pride.

The entire student body attended school two days in their Sunday best because of the two "dress up" days commemorating Christmas and Easter. This was another idea

sponsored by the Council.

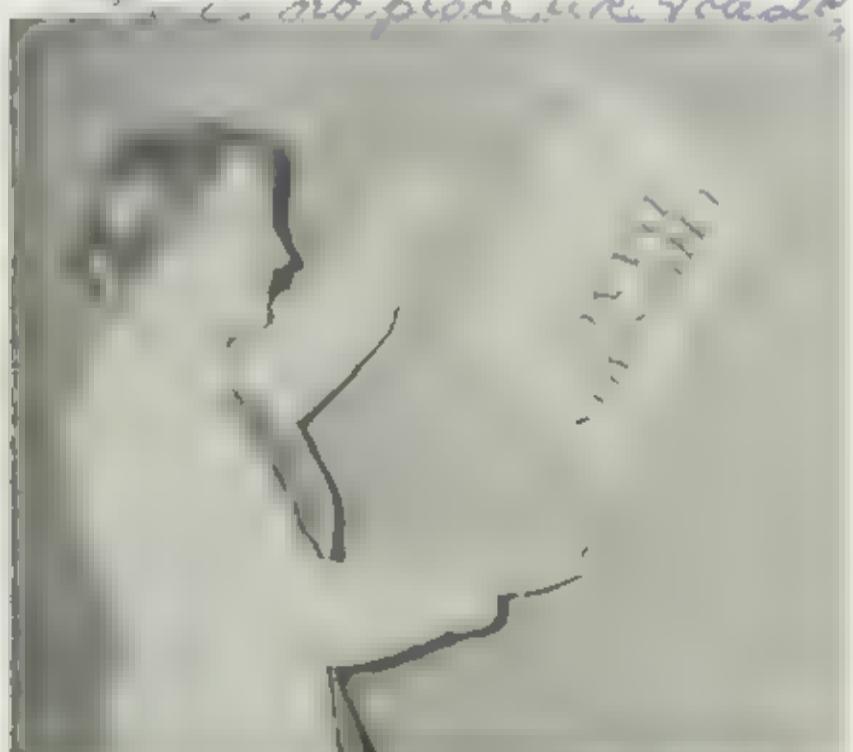
Service to NHS is not the only kind of service the Council performed. The members held a drive to collect used shoes to be sent overseas.

Christmas time showed that the Council was also interested in social affairs. It sponsored a formal Christmas dance. The music was provided by Al Pierce's Orchestra.

Next year the student body and faculty will be enjoying the paid assemblies that this year's Council arranged.

Principal James Ross advises the group.

"...no place like 'School'."



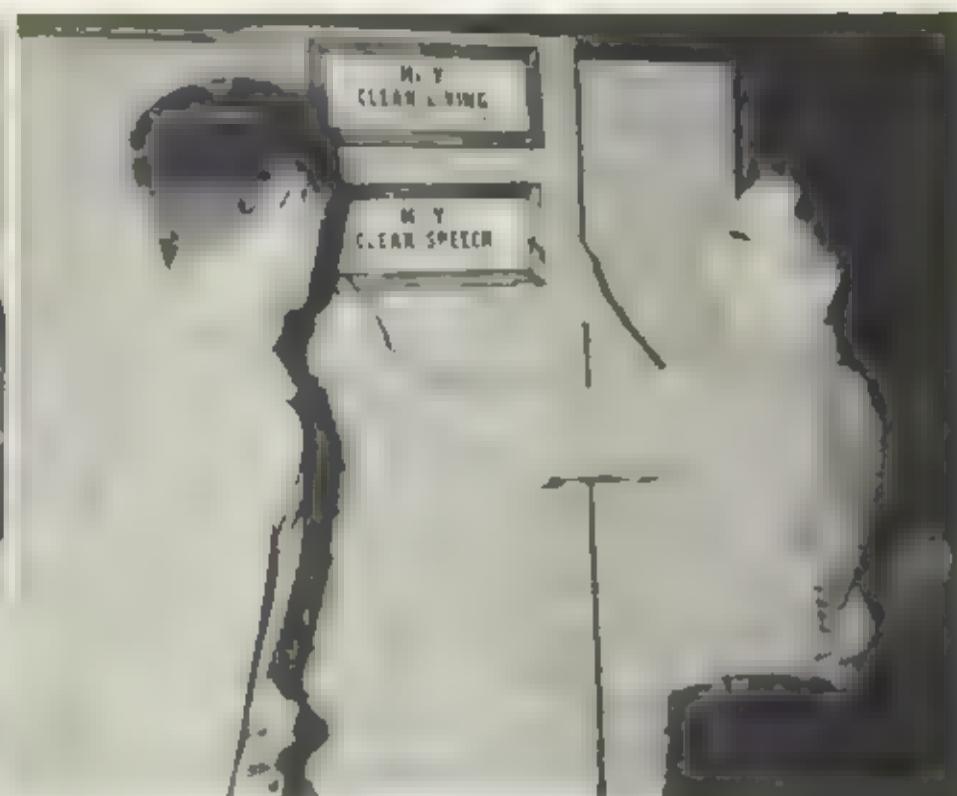
Lopsided signs announcing the Council's Christmas Dance are posted by Jackie Heisel.



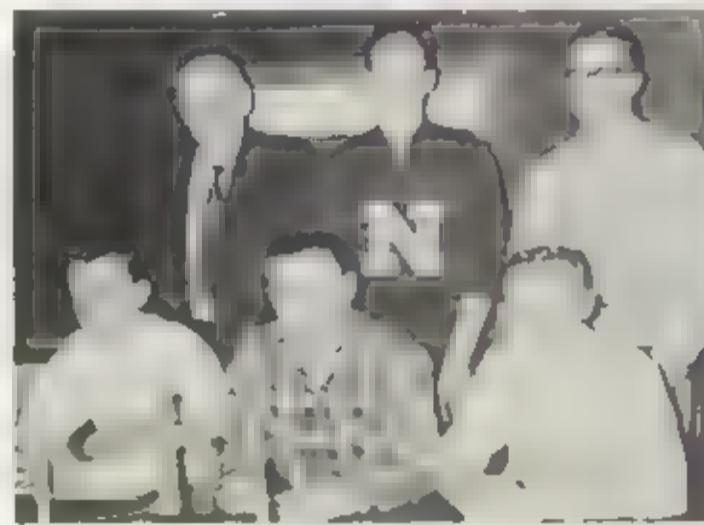
Barbara Dinterget greets a visitor with a friendly smile.



Stan Chapin presents a picture of Mr. Carl Siebel, former coach and teacher at NHS.



Signs depicting Hi-Y mottoes are posted by Ronnie Freeman and Dale McCreery.



The Hi-Y cabinet includes (seated) Joe Murray, secretary treasurer; Stan Chapin, pres.; Jerry Dick Heaston, vice president (standing) Mr. C. H. Stevenson, advisor; Alan Angell, Sergeant-at-arms; and Wesley Tutchings, chaplain.

## Hi-Y Activities Improve the School

NOT only entertainment but also education and service have been important to this year's Steward Hi-Y club. The Hi-Y, advised by Mr. C. N. Stevenson, is a branch of the Young Men's Christian Association.

One of the club's first projects was aiding in the construction of the new Firelands Museum. The organization also erected a bulletin board for football and basketball scores in front of the school.

In the line of education the Hi-Y had a series of speakers. These included Mayor Henry Young, Coach Grant Walls, Deputy Sheriff John Borgia, Mr. P. J. Garcia, the Reverend Paul Dennison, Mr. James McBride, and Mr. James Ross.



FRONT ROW: John Walek, Peter White, Harvey Carrasco, Herb Moscrip, Bruce Moore, Kit Angell

SECOND ROW: John Schaum, Dave Sommers, Dave Willard, Jon Phillips, Steve Pleasnick, Richard Paplinski

THIRD ROW: Wesley Tutchings, Ronald Morehouse, Allen Leadbetter, Alan Robinson, Dick Heaton, Tom Westrick, Phil May, Don Zuriech  
FOURTH ROW: Ernie Kohlmyer, Ted Smith, John Enders, Dave Thomas, John Zink, Alan Angell, Jim Spalsbury, Steve White, Tom Hutton



The trophy case is put into order by Alan Robinson and Stan Chapin.



It's time for refreshments! Bob Mitchell, Bud Middaugh and John Phillips enjoy after-meeting refreshments.

The Hi-Y had charge of the Thanksgiving assembly. At this time the members presented the school with a picture of Mr. Carl Seibel, former football coach and teacher at NHS.

A car wash and selling pens were Hi-Y money making projects.

At Christmas the boys packed baskets of food for needy families. They also solicited for the Heart Fund and distributed school levy posters.

The boys had a project planned for each school week and with this busy schedule tried to live up to the mottoes depicted on signs they erected: "Clean Living," "Clean Speech," "Clean Sports," and "Clean Scholarship."



Noel Cash and Ernie Kohlmyer do the honors at a Hi-Y meeting.



FRONT ROW: Noel Kaech, Tom Timman, Jim Ross, Wendell Robinson.

SECOND ROW: Tom Osborn, Robert Landenberg, Rick Metzger, Mike Crook, Richard Schlejelmilch.

THIRD ROW: Bill Cash, Don Young, Jerry Emmons, Stan Chapin, Dave Mun-

son, Dale McCreery, Ronald Freeman.

FOURTH ROW: Gene Ballard, Bud Middaugh, Jim Rogers, Ken Miller, Bob Mitchell, Joe Murray, Alan Wickert, Grant Walls Jr.



Helen Angelas, Barbara Diringer and Martha Mousch prepare to decorate the high school for Christmas.

Shirley Marion, Mary Timman and Penny Tissell admire their Christmas decorating.

## Y-Teens Do Good Deeds

**S**TAINS of "Rhapsody in Blue" and a blue spotlighted fountain was the setting for the annual Y-Teen Dinner Dance, one of the biggest social events of the year.

But the Y-Teens, a branch of the YWCA, is more than a social group. It is a Christian organization interested in school and community service.

With gifts of food the girls gave two families something to be thankful for at Thanksgiving.

Many Y-Teen girls can consider themselves "pros" at envelope filling. They filled donation envelopes for the Community Chest and Easter Seal campaigns. The girls also solicited for the Heart Fund Drive.

Easter was an important season for the Y-Teens. Besides having charge of the Easter assembly for the student body they held morning worship services before school.

Mrs. Naomi Wiebe was the advisor for this year's club, the largest in the club's history.



Composing the Y-Teen cabinet are (front row) Jacloe Heiser, vice-president; Marjorie Fox and Helen Angelas, co-program chairmen; (second row) Barbara Diringer, secretary; Martha McDonald, president; and Martha Mousch, treasurer; and the advisor, Mrs. Naomi Wiebe.



Committees are chosen by Marge Fox at a typical Y-Teen meeting.



Pat Kledis and Sharon Hunnel wait on customers at the concession stand.



FRONT ROW: Louise Gorman, Carol Miller, Ellen Rickard, Cindy Haynes, Bonita Grinold, Linda Uuelton, Joan O'Dell, Sylvia Woodsite.  
SECOND ROW: Sue Crossen, Virginia Naszoda, Martha Jameson, Sheree Roseee, Joan Wells, Joanne Kaiser, Janna Stoutenburg, Elizabeth Crane, Debbie Battles, Judy Boepple.  
THIRD ROW: Doela Kublin, Carol Heyman, Judy Cunningham, Pat Howell,

Nancy Earle, Vera Liedorff, Kathy Finch, Judy Hepp, Mary Shultz, Carol Robins.

FOURTH ROW: Judy Pierce, Nancy Wilecox, Ethel Martin, Nancy Thornton, Susan Martin, Carol Crawford, Marjorie Seal, Marilyn Miller, Esther Kotonak, Kay Kogel, Janet Bunch



FRONT ROW: Sue Smith, LaWana Swartz, Joanne Earl, Alice Shantz, Barbara Cook, Leah Earl, Barbara Albrecht, Judy Carpenter.  
SECOND ROW: Barbara Schleyerbach, Nancy Tamm, Helen Angelas, Jackie Helzel, Anita Murray, Pam Metzger, Donna McCrillis, Margaret Battle.  
THIRD ROW: Loraine Kotonak, Barbara Hainline, Kathy Kotonak, Donna

Ferguson, Sharon Hunsaker, Barbara Bruegger, Georgia Everhart, Marjorie Fox  
FOURTH ROW: Diane Leonard, Fayette Smith, Carol Lubman, Modeste Miller, Patty Fazio, Mary Ann Linnar, Joyce Meyer, Shirley Marion, Penny Fossell, Sally Lane.



FRONT ROW: Coletta Sellinger, Ayris Lyon, Judy Matis, Barbara Bess, Peggy Rees, Marilyn Hargraves, Linda Watis, Sandra Bates.  
SECOND ROW: Gretchen Ratchey, Sandra Finkler, Nancy Rice, Patricia Sellinger, Mary Finch, Judy Ryerson, Sandra Hanville, Sandra Knoll.  
THIRD ROW: Pat Selfert, Patti Young, Anne Lowe, Betty Smythe, Joan Chapin,

Carol Crouser, Barbara Boyd, Grace Austin, Clarann Finch,  
FOURTH ROW: Martha Mousch, Martha McDonald, Pauline Griffin, Deanna Scott, Mary Ann Scheid, Mary Crosser, Darlene Pressley, Martha Locke, Joanne Snyder, Marie Grosswiler, Marlene Ringel.



FRONT ROW: Alice Shantz, Joanne Earl, Marjorie Fox, Jackie Hebel, Joan Wells, Kathleen Stanton, Mary Finch, Ruth Earl.

SECOND ROW: Donna Higgins, Cynthia Revitzer, Nancy Rice, Pam Meissner, Deanna Smolinski, Liz Cline, Joanne Kaiser, Carol Rogen.

THIRD ROW: Sharon Hummel, Mary Shutts, Darlene Preasley, Martha Motch.

Molly Crossen, Martha McDonald, Penny Tomell, Sally Linn, Kay Kugel.  
FOURTH ROW: Mary Timman, Carol Shelley, Loretta Dann, Elizabeth Baker, Juanita Howey, Marge Gfeli, Marilyn Miller, Darlene Braker, Barbara Dillingier, Doris Worcester, Carol Hamisfar.



The GAA cabinet includes (seated) Darlene Braker, program chairman; Martha Motch, secretary, Marge Gfeli, vice-president, (standing) Miss Marilyn Mellinger, advisor; Alice Shantz, president, and Ruth Earl, treasurer.

## G. A. A. Has A Busy Schedule

**I**T'S a woman's world! At least it is on Monday nights when the GAA girls get together to develop athletic skills.

This year the members have found many opportunities to test their abilities in interscholastic sports. They played host to out-of-town girls on two big sports days. One was for basketball and one for volleyball.

The newly made friends, in return, invited Norwalk girls to participate in playdays at their schools. Bellevue, Tiffin and Clyde are some of the schools that the GAA girls visited to participate in sports.



Clarann Finch and Jackie Hebel make paper crowns for homecoming decorations.



Blue and gold pom-poms are made by an industrious group of GAA members.



The winning Michigan Team is composed of (front row) Mary Finch, Marjorie Fox, Liz Cusine, Pam Metzger, Joanne Earl, and (back row) Molly Crossen, Martha McDonald, Beryl Hunter, Captain Dorlene Braker, Carol Shelley.



The Ohio State Team is (front row) Alice Shantz, Ruth Earl, Nancy Rice, Joanne Kaiser, Martha Motsch, and (back row) Barbara Dirlinger, Penny Tosell, Juanita Rowey, Captain Marge Giell, Marilyn Miller.

The club was largely responsible for a successful homecoming. The girls made pom-poms and decorated the gymnasium.

One of the most awaited events of the year was the Ohio State vs. Michigan basketball game. Michigan regained the title by defeating Ohio 15-14. Carol Shelley was high scorer with 11 points for Michigan. The girls who played were chosen from the GAA according to their ability to play basketball.

The annual Mother-Daughter Banquet brought to a close a successful and memorable year for the GAA girls.

Membership in the Girls' Athletic Association is worked on a point basis. Points are earned in participation in intramural sports. Miss Marilyn Mellinger is the club's advisor.

Weaving is in style for the Homecoming decorations. Busy decorating before the big night are Alice Shantz, Dorlene Braker, Martha Motsch and Joanne Kaiser.



Dorlene Braker sets the table for the Goodfellow Banquet setting the football players





FRONT ROW Nancy Olson, Kathleen Stanton, Joyce Miller, Randy Turner, Carol Hutchison.

SECOND ROW Penny Rees, Coletta Sellinger, Judy Clapp, Carol Downing, Marcella Charville, Vonne Reed.

## Truckerettes Are Future Homemakers

ANY girl who has taken home economics is eligible for membership in the Truckerettes. The advisor for the group is Mrs. Nancy Carrick.

This year the Truckerettes displayed some of their homemaking ability by having a reception after the spring Style Show. The reception was open to the public and helped make the Style Show a success.

One of the meetings especially enjoyed by the members featured a cosmetic demonstration.

The Truckerettes also celebrated the Christmas season with a party.

The girls brought their year to a close by having a special meeting honoring their mothers. This was the Mother-Daughter Banquet held in the spring.

ABOVE: Vonne Reed, Carol Downing and Anita Beightol, Norwalk High's winner of the Betty Crocker homemaking contest, enjoy a home ec party

LEFT: The Truckerette cabinet composed of Barbara Schlegelmilch, president, Joyce Miller, secretary; Judy Carpenter, treasurer, and Carol Downing, vice president, get together for a brief meeting

THIRD ROW Barbara Schlegelmilch, Judy Carpenter, Anita Murray, Louise Gorman, Ann Lowe, Carol Miller, Aylis Tyson.

FOURTH ROW Blae Twitchell, Judy Bishman, Pat Howell, Nancy Earle, Jeanne Peckham, Loreta Kramer, Mary Carley, Janet Burch.



FRONT ROW: Mary Finch, Judy Mills, Pat Soullin, Donna Allen.  
SECOND ROW: Nancy Rice, Pam Metzger, Ellen Rickard, Motley Crown, Judy Kledis.  
THIRD ROW: Sue Crown, Carol Bushman, David Damaska, Wesley Tutchings, Elizabeth Baker, Penny Fossell.

## Future Teachers Gain Experience

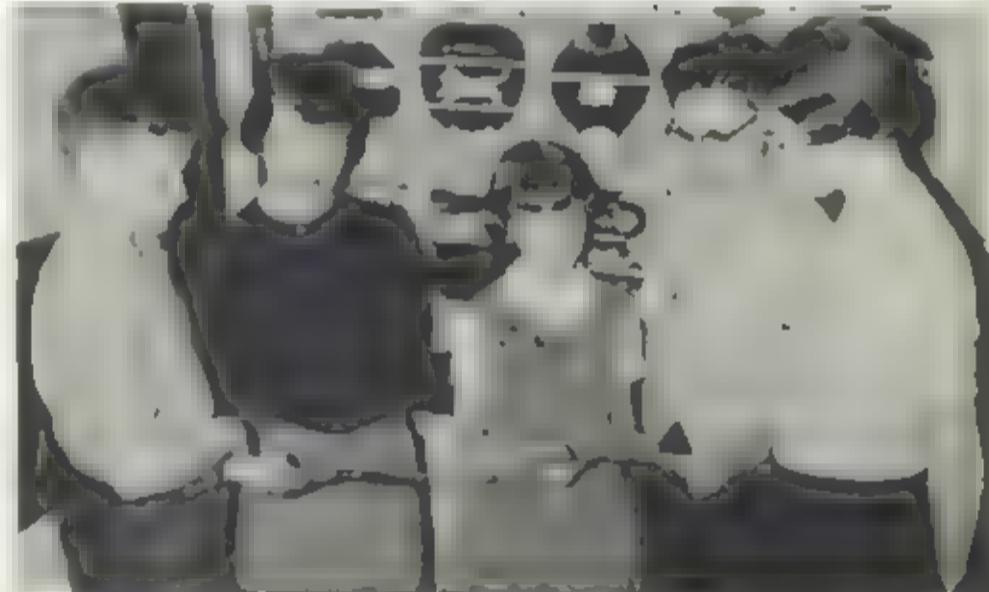
**I**NFORMAL gatherings at private homes were the settings for most of the meetings of the Future Teachers of America.

The guest speakers throughout the year were various teachers.

This year's club had fifteen members and the initiation was a formal candlelight service.

With the arrival of spring came the Senior Banquet, honoring the senior members, and the close of their year.

This year's advisors were Mr. Maurice Fowler, Miss Lucille Carr, and Mrs. Emilie Wells.



Elementary students' art work (see an arm) is examined by Mary Finch, Pat Soullin, and Nancy Rice

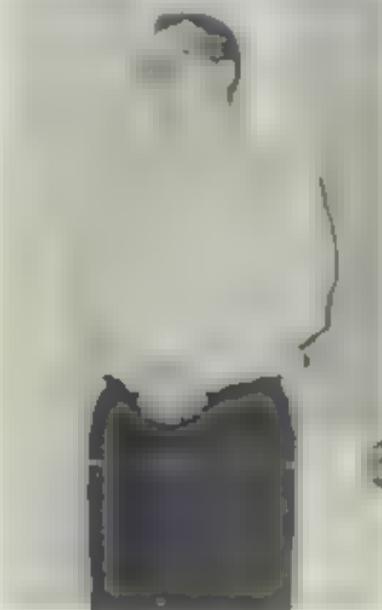


Penny Fossell, Carol Bushman, and Judy Mills stand in over at an FTA meeting.

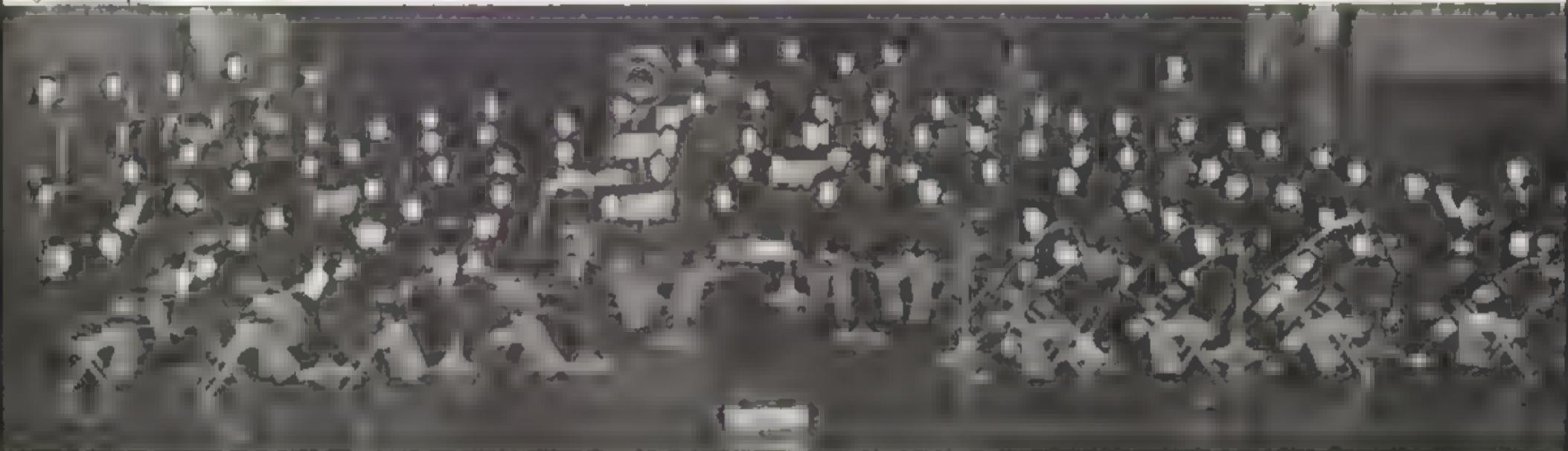


Refreshments of cookies and punch are enjoyed by Martha Leadbetter, Pauline Griffin and Mary Finch

*Isn't that cute*



Wes Tutchings presides over an FTA meeting.



FIRST ROW: Joan O'Dell, Judy Hepp, Judy Hutchins, Helen Angelas, Debby Battles, Wesley Tutchings, Pete White, George Diehl.

SECOND ROW: Liz Clune, Dave Williams, Barbara Wahl, Ruth Brown, Joanne Snyder, Anna Vinse, Eileen Rickard, Jerry Archibald, Sandra Bates, Mildred Bramhill, Craig Dieretich, Grace Austin, Marlene Ringle, Pauline Griffin.

THIRD ROW: Cynthia Revitzer, Patty Manns, Mary Timman, Bonita Grinold, Linda Uswelton, Sara Martin, Pat Seifert, Linda McLaughlin, Martha Mutsch, Patti Young, Jerry Emmons, Carolyn Lederer, Sharee Roscoe, Don Young, Bob Middaugh, Ruth Earl, Joanne Earl, Jon Moore, John Kaiser, Sylvia Woodside, Virginia Naszodian, Joanne Kaiser.

FOURTH ROW: Nancy Nixon, David Schnitzler, Nancy Hutchinson, Tommy

Allen, LaWana Swartz, Melinda Zink, Deanna Smolinski, Yvonne Silcox, Barbara Wickert, Ayris Tyson, Richard Vogt, Steve Pleasnick, John Zink, Dave Price, Robert Mitchell, Mike Rice, Bob Landenberg, Steve White, Jim Ross, Myrna Kistemaker, Sue Crossen, Anita Beightol, Barbara Boyd, Pam Metzger, Linda Upper, Ed Goodrich, Penny Tassel, Judy Cunningham.

FIFTH ROW: Pamela Noteworthy, Barbara Saladin, Clara Finch, Clara Francisco, Mary Eslinger, Judy Endsley, Lois Blackett, Connie Wendland.

SIXTH ROW: Dave Thomas, Dick Alleshouse, Carol Crawford, Bob Fowler, Barbara Ungerer, Dolores Smolinski, Martha Jameson, Eddie Barker, Mary Finch, Barbara Diringer, Shirley Marion, Mr. R. P. Laycock, Kaye Schwab, Lois Wilkinson.

Not Pictured: Joan Wells.



Instrumental Music Director R. P. Laycock.

## Their Concerts Are Outstanding

WITH a membership of ninety-four students and under the direction of Mr. R. P. Laycock, the Norwalk High School Orchestra again proved itself to be one of the finest in Northern Ohio.

The Sunday afternoon concerts in which it participated were acclaimed as "the best in years." At these concerts the orchestra played such pieces as Handel's "Larghetto," Anderson's "Trumpeter's Lullaby," Wagner's "Tannhauser's Overture," Berlin's "God Bless America," Rodgers' "Oklahoma" and Gounod's "Prelude to Faust."

The orchestra's many public appearances this year included the United Nations Celebration program, a Sunday Christmas Concert, an exchange music program with Willard in May, and the Norwalk Music Festival. The group also participated in the Northern Ohio League Orchestra Festival May 27, which was held this year in Port Clinton.

A new \$650 tympani set was presented to the orchestra this year. The tympani, chosen over other instruments in that it would last possibly fifty or sixty years, was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bishman. The Memorial Fund for Donald Bishman, their son, was included in the \$650. The dedication of the set to Don was made on the afternoon of the last Sunday Concert of the year. Don was a member of the orchestra before his death.

"Of all the liberal arts, music has the greatest influence over the passions, and is that which legislators ought to give the greatest encouragement."

-- Napoleon



FIRST ROW: Don Young, Bob Middaugh, Joan O'Dell, Barbara Stratton, Linda Zink, Patti Young, Liz Cisna, Martha Motch, Jerry Emmons, Debby Battles.

SECOND ROW: Judy Hepp, Cynthia Revitzer, Barbara Ungerer, Pat Seifert, Myrna Kistemaker, Sue Crossen, Anita Beightol, Barbara Boyd, Pam Metzger, Linda Upper, Ed Goodrich, Marilyn Hargraves, Nancy Nixon, John Schauss, Ayris Tylon, Joanne Earl, Ruth Earl.

THIRD ROW: Linda Uselton, Mary Timman, Pat Manns, Judy Cunningham, Virginia Naszodian.

FOURTH ROW: Joanne Kaiser, Lois Wilkinson, LaWana Swartz, Carla Braker, Mildred Bramhill, Sandy Covell, Jon Moore, Mike Rice, Robert Landenberg, Helen Angelas, Pete White, Steve White, George Diehl, Sharee Roscoe, Car-

olyn Lederer, Elaine Kohlmyer, Jerry Archibald, Tom Osborn, Joanne Snyder, Craig Dieterich, Tom Hutton, Pauline Griffin, Anna Vince, Wesley Hutchings, Sandra Bates, Marlene Ringle, Judy Hutchins.

FIFTH ROW: Carol Crawford, Richard Alleshouse, Robert Fowler, Richard Vogt, Ernie Kohlmyer, Richard Schlegelmilch, Jack Moss, Dolores Smolinski, Martha Jameson, Barb Wahl, Ellen Rickard, Mary Finch, Cindy Haynes, Barbara Dieteger, Don Millis, Ronnie Strong, David Schnitzler, Nancy Hutchinson, Marion Fowler, Steve Pleasnick, Grace Austin, John Zink, David Price, Bob Mitchell, Martha Locke, Judy Boopple, Deanna Smolinski.

STANDING ON RIGHT: Shirley Marion, Mr. R. P. Laycock.  
Not Pictured: Joan Wells.

## This Band Serves A Dual Purpose

AFTER the close of the football season, the marching band became the Symphonic Band. Although the musicians stayed the same, the music changed from such marching pieces as "Johnson Rag," "Down the Field," "On Norwalk," "Varsity," "Victory March," and "Victors" to the more serious selections like Tchaikovsky's "Symphony No. 5," Harlow's "The Wonderer," Hartley's "Gaiety Polka," Fillmore's "Teddy Trombone," and Mr. Laycock's "Yosemite."

This band performed this year at a United Nations concert, Sunday afternoon programs, the Huron County Fair, and the baccalaureate and commencement exercises.

The Northern Ohio League Band Festival in which the group participated was held this year in Upper Sandusky May 11.



Mr. Laycock instructs George Diehl, Jim Ross, and Bob Mitchell on a coming Sunday concert.

"Music training ought to be of deep concern to parents and teachers because it is the most powerful educational tool of all the arts."

- Father Flanigan



FIRST ROW: Joanne Earl, Elaine Kohlmyer, Ayris Tyson, Chalmer Cook, Barbara Strutton, Ruth Stover, Linda McLaughlin, Ruth Earl, John Moore, Barbara Ungerer, Mike Rice, Cindy Haynes, LaWana Swartz, Ellen Rickard, Sharee Roscoe, Marilyn Hargrave, Sandra Bates, Sue Crousen, David Schnitzler, John Kalser, Ronnie Strong, Bob Middaugh

SECOND ROW: Joanne Kaiser, Jack Moss, Don Young, Barbara Boyd, Helen Angelas, Judy Boepple, Judy Cunningham, Virginia Naszodian, Patty Manns, Lois Wilkinson, Pete White, Tom Osborn, Barbara Diringer, Linda Uselton, Dolores Smolinski, Patti Young, Joanne Snyder, Donna McCrillis, Martha Jameson, Grace Austin, Pat Seifert, Don Millis, Marlene Ringle.

THIRD ROW: Melinda Zink, Bob Fowler, Pam Metzger, Martha Motsch, Mary

Tiemann, Shirley Marion, Yvonne Toney, Craig Dieuerich, Larry Mason, John Enders, Tom Hutton, John Schauss, George Diehl, Cynthia Revitzer, Judy Hutchins, Steve Pleamick, Bob Mitchell, Dave Price, Mark Fowler, Nancy Hixon, Nancy Hutchinson, Mary Finch, Pauline Griffin, Richard Vogt.

FOURTH ROW: Dick Alleshouse, Liz Cissne, Judy Endsley, Sandra Covell, Martha Locke, Andie Vince, Anita Beightol, Carol Crawford, Debby Battles, Mildred Bramhill, Myrna Kistemaker, Carla Braker, Linda Upper, Jerry Archibald, Wesley Turchings, Steve White, Ed Goodrich, Richard Schiegelmilch, Barbara Wahl, Joan O'Dell, Carolyn Lederer, Jerry Emmons, Bob Landenberg.

FIFTH ROW: Judy Hepp, Mr. R. P. Laycock, Deanna Smolinski,



Marching Band Majorlettes Judy Hepp and Deanna Smolinski lead the band in all marching activities.

## The Marching Band Shows Loyal Support

WITH the opening of the football season came the practicing of the Marching Band. This band with a membership of 105 students from grades 8-12 could be seen every fourth period going to Whitney Field to practice for the Friday night home games.

This band made up a large portion of the cheering section and from the field or the stands added greatly to the spirit and excitement of the game.

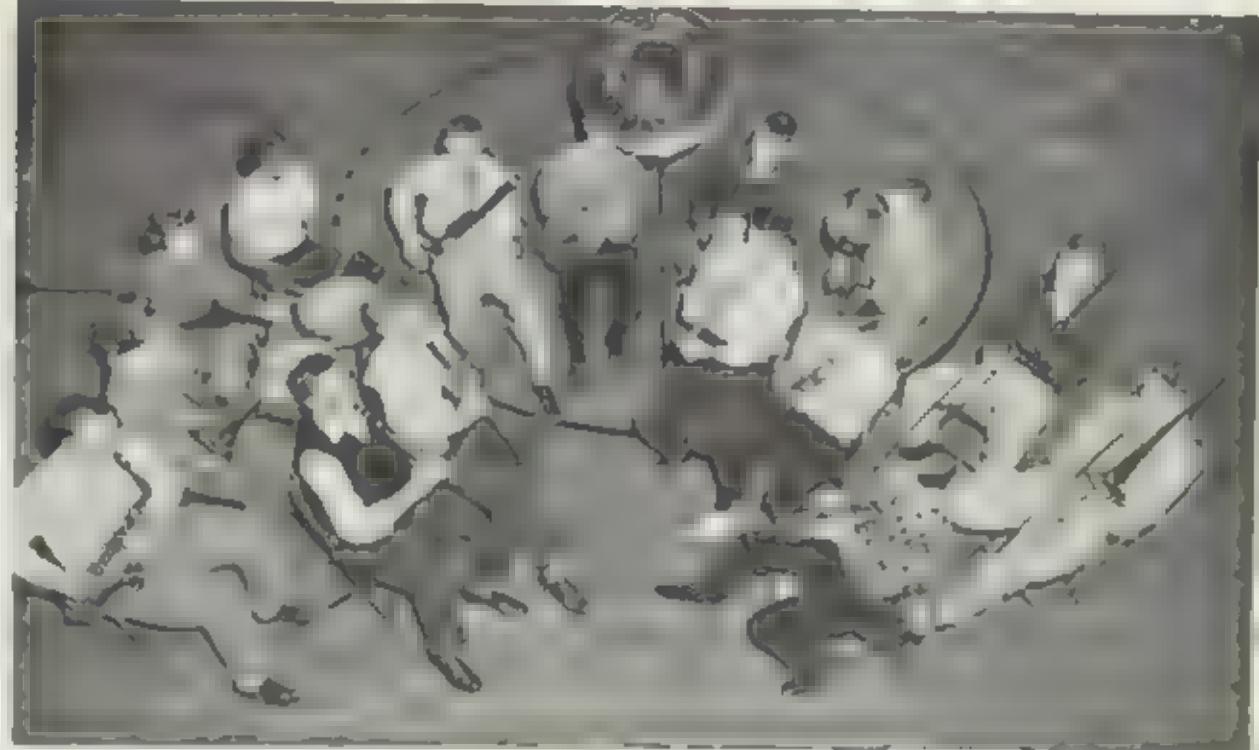
On the football field during the half the band performed with such formations as a beer bottle and played the song, "Show Me the Way to Go Home," droodles in the form of a trombone player in a telephone booth, and the original seat cover in the form of a diaper.

The band, under the direction of Mr. R. P. Laycock, performed this year in such activities as the United Nations parade, the Halloween parade, and the Memorial Day parade.

It participated in the Northern Ohio League Band Festival in Upper Sandusky May 11.

Whether in an auditorium, on the field, or marching down the street, the marching band always performed in style.

Inside circle: Don Young III, Bob Middaugh, Steve White, Jim Ross, George Diehl. Outside circle: Wesley Tutchings, Pam Metzger, Mary Finch, Shirley Marion, Ed Goodrich, Dick Vogt, John Schauss, Rounie Strong, Dave Price, Bob Mitchell



## They Keep School Spirits High

THE lively, colorful music heard before and during the half of the varsity basketball games was provided for the audience by the Pep Band. It was this band that put the students and townspeople into the mood for cheering. It was this band that stirred the pride of the Norwalk fans for their team as their boys came from the dressing room as the music rang out our "Alma Mater."

The members of this band were selected by the director, Mr. R. P. Laycock, from the Symphonic Band.

Among the songs played at the basketball games were "In the Mood," "Loverest," "Dance with Me Henry," and "Dark Town Strutters' Ball."

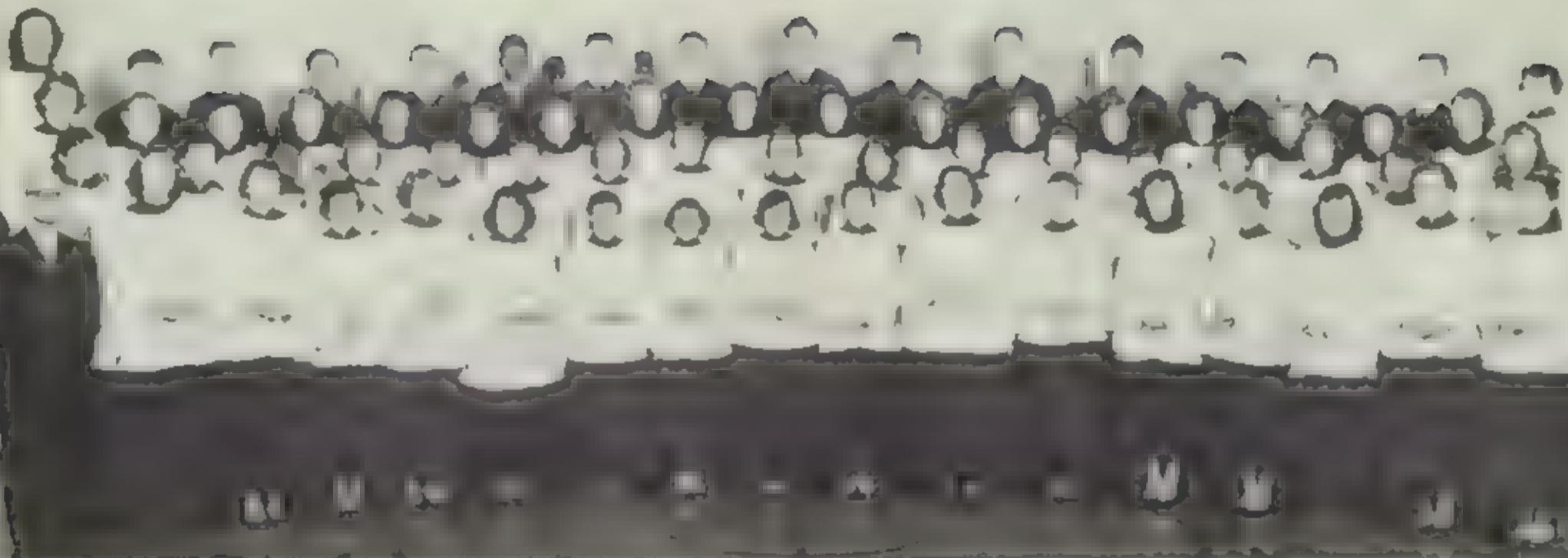
No basketball game at Norwalk High would have been complete without the spirit that this band added.

The German Band was composed of fifteen members of the symphonic band. This band provided the music for the pep meetings held on Friday afternoons.



FRONT FIRST: Patti Young, Liz Clegg, Jerry Emmons.  
FRONT SECOND: Dolores Smolinski, Barbara Wahl, Mary Finch, Barbara Dinger. Standing, Mr. R. P. Laycock.  
LEFT FIRST: Don Young III, Bob Middaugh, Judy Hepp, Linda Usselton  
LEFT SECOND: Joan O'Dell, Debby Battles, Ruth Earl, Joanne Kaiser, Carolyn Lederer.  
LEFT THIRD: Edson Goodrich, Wesley Tutchings, Anna Vlce, Pauline Griffin, Judy Endtley, Carla Braker.

LEFT FOURTH: Craig Dieterich, Joanne Snyder, Jerry Archibald.  
LEFT FIFTH: Richard Vogt, Richard Schlegelmilch.  
RIGHT FIRST: Pam Metzger, Barbara Boyd, Anita Beightol, Sue Crossen, John Schauss.  
RIGHT SECOND: George Diehl, Steve White, Pete White, Helen Angelas, Bob Landenberg, Dick Alleshouse.  
RIGHT THIRD: John Zink, Dave Price, Grace Austin, Steve Pleasnick, Ronald Strong, Don Mills.



FRONT ROW: Mr. Henry Gladigan, Nancy Earle, Carla Braker, Judy Ryerson, Georgia Everman, Beverly Coy, Evelyn Baker, Mary Jane Gough, Carol Ann Hutchison, Penny Rees, Pat Kledis, Linda Rickard, Joyce Meyer, Linda Warts, Nancy Olson, Sally Linn, Donna McCrillis  
SECOND ROW: Joanne Baker, Sharon Hummel, Geraldine Ravit, Joan Chapman, Kay Kugel, Mary Shultz, Mary Jane Bolding, Betty Baker, Carol Crosser, Dolores Metz, Carol Heyman, Doris Kubin, Pat Wiggins, Sonya Gregory, Nancy Thornton, Virginia Zureich, Diane Kinnard.

THIRD ROW: Jean Peckham, Darlene Perkins, Judy Kledis, Carol Shelley, Molly Crossen, Barb Cook, Yvonne Hinkley, Mary Crosser, Martha Locke, Janet Locher, Lorraine Ketonak, Barb Schiegeimitch, Imogene Smith, Carol Hamisar, Judy Linder, Karen Nielsen, Elizabeth Smythe.  
FOURTH ROW: Juanita Howey, Tony Wiggins, Chalmer Cook, Harvey Carrasco, Bill Cash, Joseph Ravit, Bob Loney, Bob Dieterich, Gene Ballard, Jim Spalsbury, Alan Angell, Dick Miller, Louis Penfield, Ron Shipley, John Walek, Sue Smith



The girls ensemble is composed of Judy Kledis, Mary Jane Bolding, Betty Baker, Martha Locke, Juanita Howey, Mary Crosser, Pat Kledis, Linda Rickard, and Joyce Meyer.

## Something New Is Added

SOMETHING new was added to the chorus this year. This new addition was the presentation of awards. The awards, letters, were given to deserving seniors who had been in the chorus four years or more.

The chorus with a busy schedule participated in a Christmas candlelight service, Sunday afternoon concerts, a radio broadcast December 24, an Easter assembly for the high school, a Thanksgiving service, the baccalaureate exercises, and the Norwalk Music Festival.

The Northern Ohio League Chorus Festival in which the organization took part was held in Bellevue April 30. Bill Cash, bass, and Gene Ballard, tenor, attended the State Chorus in Wilmington March 2-4.

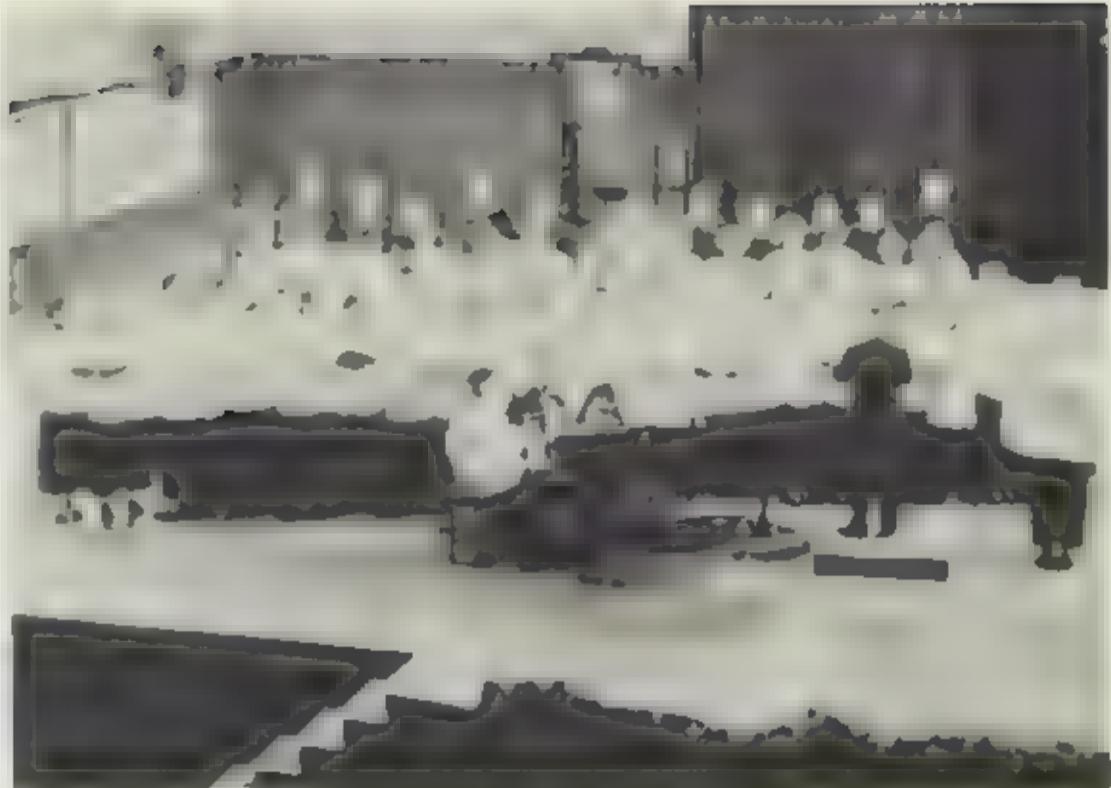
Twelve members of the chorus participated in the Ohio Wesleyan Music Festival held in Delaware. This is a goal toward which many members work.

Under the direction of Mr. Henry Gladigan, the chorus had an excellent year.

The Senior Chorus sings at a Christmas program



Top singers, Pat Kledis and Gene Ballard, join Charles King in an impromptu number during an assembly program.



## Junior Chorus Gains Experience

THE Junior Chorus, although not experienced as the Senior Chorus, had a fairly good year.

Their activities consisted of such events as caroling at Christmas, taking part in the Christmas Assembly and participating in the Norwalk Music Festival.

The chorus joined forces with the Junior Band to present an assembly for the seventh and eighth grades.

Having a comparatively large group this year the Junior Chorus boasts a membership of fifty-three students and is under the direction of Mr. Henry Gladigan.

A group of eight eighth graders selected by Mr. Gladigan sang with the Senior Chorus in the baccalaureate exercises.



FRONT ROW: Jim Soutain, John Clapp, Bruce Ward, Tim Sommer, Alice Bowlin, Jane Stoddard, Linda Harmon, Phyllis Colish, Carol Stelzer, Tim Schaus, Homer Stall, Billy Pressley.

SECOND ROW: Patty Kuhlman, Julia Sturgeon, Alicia Chaffee, Lynne Nash, Karen Lawrence, Diane Fowler, Faye Risner, Donna Thimbs, Cleonay Smith, Mary Ellen Moyer, Linda Gilhouseen, Mr. Henry Gladigan.

THIRD ROW: Judy Klayuhn, Linda Dankmyer, Pat Nielsen, Ruth Stover,

Pat Sayles, Jean Sawyer, Nancy Timman, Judy Spalsbury, Pat Blackburn, Melvolee Rowe, Joyce White, Iva Jean Stevens, Connie Magill, Bonnie Meyers, Mary Ann Walek.

FOURTH ROW: Janice DeZelar, Lorina Perkins, Loretta Boyd, Evelyn Smith, Nancy Welch, Tom Smith, Bob Wallace, Tom Churchill, Dale Trautman, Frank Daniel, Carol Doughty, Linda Hart, Lucille Bolding, Sandra Howey.



Stan Chapin, as he appeared in "No Snow for Christmas" in Mr. McBryde's office.



Students at League street school watch the performance of "No Snow for Christmas," as presented by the speech class.



Alan Robinson, as a confirmed bachelor, performs with Helen Angelas in the play, "How to Propose".

## Speech Department Entertains

"*No Snow for Christmas*," a three act play, was one of the two plays given by the Speech Department. The play, written by Junior Bill Cash, was presented to the grade schools at Christmas time.

The second of the two plays, "*How to Propose*," was presented at a high school assembly. Alan Robinson, who played the lead in a similar play last year, again headed the cast. The play consisted of seven scenes and demonstrated the art of proposing from the day of the cave man to the present time.

Steve Allen's "*Tonight*" was another feature arranged by the department for a second assembly.

Bill Cash gave a hilarious imitation of Steve Allen. Many other speech students taking part in the production also proved themselves capable comedians.

All three projects were under the direction of Mr. Donald Harness.



The playcast of "How to Propose" poses for the cameraman after the assembly.



Bill Cash as Steve Allen interviews Mrs. Sterling, (Alice Shantz).



A country boy and girl, played by Ted Smith and Joe Murray, perform in "Tonight".



A group of the play cast pose for the camera before the play begins.

The four main characters in the fall play pose before the judge, played by Don Young III.

## Dramatics Instills Self Confidence

**D**RAMATICS played a large part in the social activities of the school year. The beginning of October started fall play casting, the rehearsals, and frustration for Director Donald Harness.

"The Night of January 16th," this year's fall play was a mystery in which Martha Motsch, the female lead, was the girl on trial. Alan Angell, the male lead, was the district attorney and Alan Robinson, the second male lead, played the role of the girl's lawyer. The jury was selected from the audience on the night of the performance, thus causing an unexpected ending.

A great amount of effort and time went into the production of the play and this was reflected in the fine performances given by each.



District attorney, Alan Angell loses case in spite of his passionate plea to the jury.



Wife, (Barb Diringer) is being sworn in by the clerk, (Alice Shantz), while person matron, (Nan Rice) and District attorney, (Al Angell) look on.



Karen, the girl on trial, played by Martha Motsch, awaits the final decision of the jury.



## Another Year—Another Annual

ONE of the most wonderful and hectic experiences in school life is being a member of the journalism staff. This year the sixteen members of the staff issued twelve newspapers. Only a journalism student can know what it means to be fifty inches short at deadline time, or to be constantly alert for a novel feature story, or to know the pride and satisfaction of a finished paper. This year Alice Shantz and Pat Sellinger co-edited the paper and Dominic Caprara did the photography.

Even a more important function of the journalism staff is the compiling of the annual. The annual is a permanent history of the school and a way to bring happy or sad memories to the Norwalk students who reminisce over past school years.

We of the 1956 journalism staff are proud to present this annual and to have it take its place beside the ones before it.

ABOVE: Putting the final touches on the annual are Alice Shantz, Pat Sellinger, Mary Crouse, Martha McDonald, ~~Mary Kastner~~, Dominic Caprara, Dick Heaston, Ronnie Keay, Ted Smith, Joe Murray, Dick Paplin, Marjorie Fox, Liz Clune, Kathy Finch, Janna Stoutenburg and Jackie Helzel.  
LEFT: Assembly songleader, Mr. Charles King, is interviewed by Kathy Finch and Janna Stoutenburg.





The final total of the magazine drive sales is computed by top salesmen George Diehl and Mary Shurns and the manager, Dick Heaston.



It must be a serious matter judging by the look on Dominic Caprara's face as he looks over Dick Paplinski's shoulder. Jackie Hebel types in the background.



Ad solicitors Dick Heaston and Dick Palnuk start out for another busy afternoon.

YOU are cordially invited to turn the following pages and enjoy the ad section. This year we have used pictures of Norwalk High students at the various places of business. We are confident that this will meet with your approval and add to your enjoyment of the annual.

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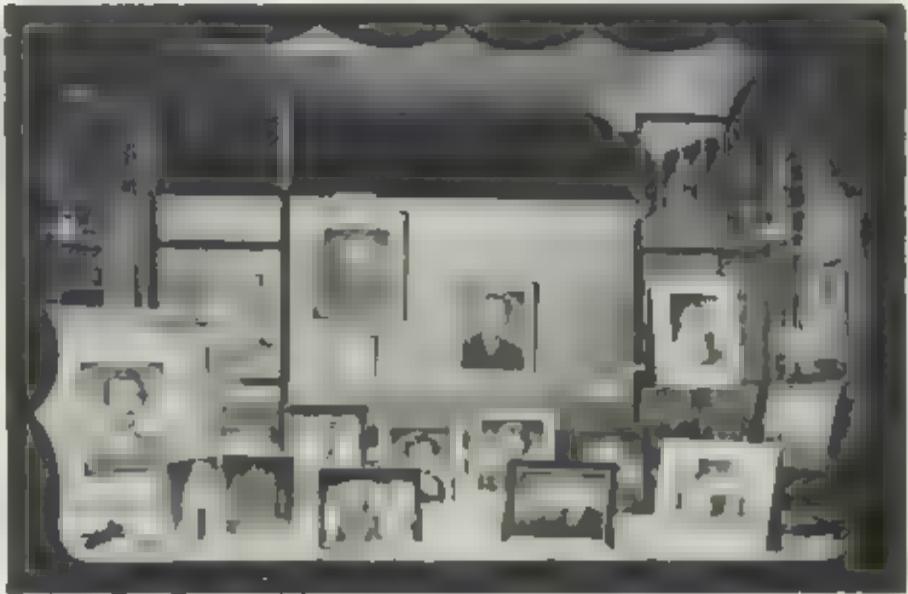
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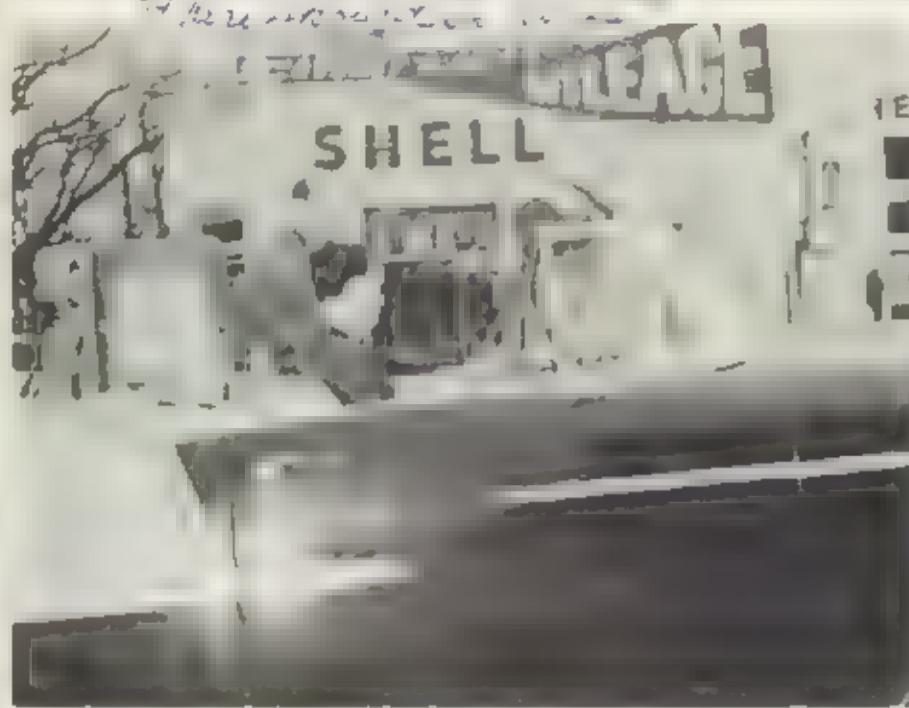
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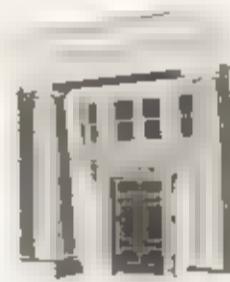
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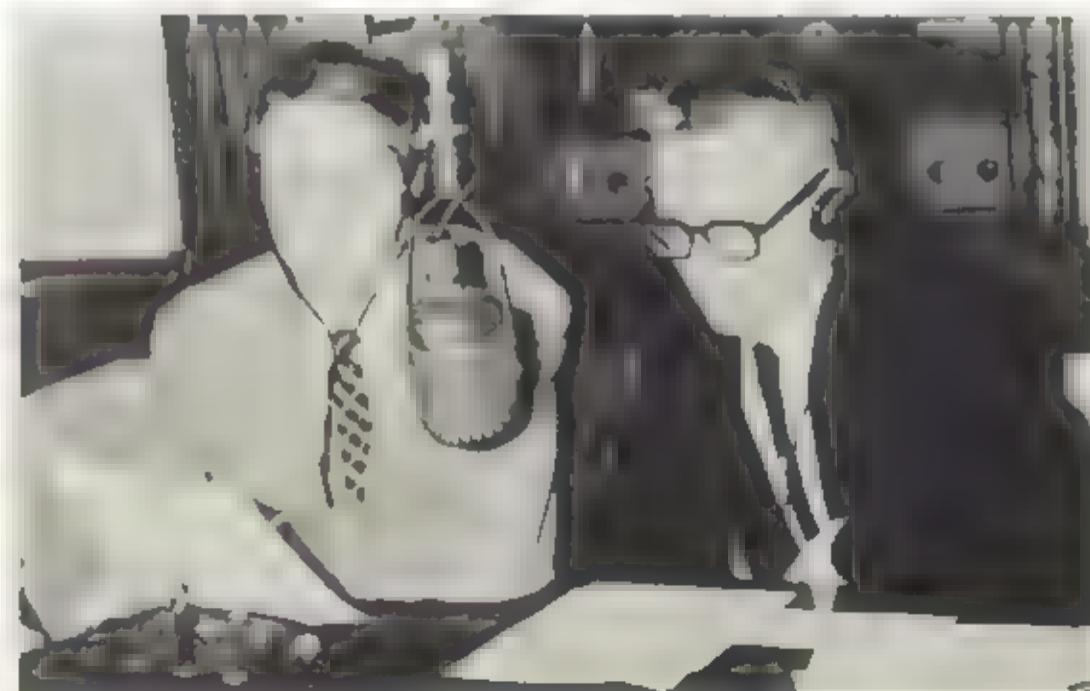
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